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WHARVES ON PARACELS. MARINERS' INTERESTING REPORTS. A BASE FOR SMUGGLING?

Recent reports that a new harbour has been established on one of the Paracels Islands are given credence amongst local shipping men, for different masters whose vessels have lately passed Mowoy Island say that three cement wharves have been built on its eastern side and that the reef which forms a lagoon extending to the eastward from that island affords excellent protection from the sea. General belief amongst mariners is that Japanese interests have laid down these new works, but whether as a result of obtaining rights to do so from the Chinese Government is not known. In some circles it is suggested that the Paracels are being used as a centre of distribution for the smuggling of arms and drugs into China.

In connection with these reports, it is recalled that some year or so ago, a large Chinese junk was confiscated by a Chinese cruiser about forty miles from Pakhoi after being found carrying a cargo of opium and other drugs, and it is said that the master, after much questioning, admitted that he obtained his cargo from a harbour on the east side of Mowoy Island. Another report is to the effect that a few months ago a junk was intercepted steering N.N.W. (from the Paracels, about 30 miles off) by a Central Government cruiser and that on being searched she was found to have on board a large consignment of Japanese rifles, machine-guns and ammunition.

Some three years ago, the Pacific Mail steamer Jacox, passed close to Mowoy Island at twilight, when the captain sighted a steamer lying inside Mowoy Island. He reported later that he thought this steamer was a wreck, because although she should have had her lights showing, there were none to be seen. He attempted to signal to the steamer, but received no answer. After remaining there about half an hour, he left the locality and proceeded on his voyage. This was the official report of what was observed. Later, however, the captain is said to have stated that he had distinguished the steamer as a Japanese vessel, and that he had observed her to be in communication with the shore by means of large boats.

A DANGEROUS GROUP.

The Paracels are a group of small islands and reefs contained between the latitudes of 16 and 17 degrees North and between the longitudes of 111.30, and 112.45, East. Two of the extremities of the group, however, are not inside the above named boundaries, namely the North Reef which lies in 17° 18' north latitude and between the longitudes of 111.27 E. and 111.35 E., and the south-western outpost, Triton Island which lies in 15.47 N. and 111.15 E. The latter island is simply a dangerous reef with a stone or rock protruding three feet above the ordinary waterline in its middle.

This group of islands lies as an obstruction in the path of all vessels bound from Hongkong or Swatow to Saigon or Bangkok, and also to a lesser degree in the way of vessels bound from the China Coast to Singapore. On account of the slight height of these islands and reefs, for which reason it is difficult to sight them in the day time, and because they to this day remain unlighted, they have always been the dread of all seafarers, who endeavour to avoid them as much as possible. Nevertheless, hundreds of vessels have met their doom there, especially on the North Reef (the north-western extremity) and on the Bombay Reef (the south-eastern extremity) and the daring master who ventured near those treacherous places could generally distinguish them by the number of

TYPHOID ORIGIN. EXPERT INVESTIGATION NEEDED. DR. KOCH'S SUGGESTION.

The question of discovering the origin of the local outbreak of typhoid is to be raised at Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, when Dr. W. V. M. Koch will move a resolution on the subject. Dr. Koch's resolution is in the following terms:—

"In view of the steady persistence of typhoid fever in the Colony, and of the fact that no investigation of the source of the infection has thus far been undertaken, this Board respectfully urges the Government to solicit the assistance of the Public Health experts attached to the Naval and Military service to undertake such investigation, or alternatively to apply to the Rockefeller Institute for the service of an expert to undertake such investigation."

JAPANESE FIRM IN DIFFICULTIES. FOREIGN BANKS AMONG CREDITORS.

Tokyo, Feb. 22.

Messrs. Takata & Co. are in financial difficulties due to heavy losses, which are attributed to the 1920 depression, the results of the earthquake, the 1923 depression and to exchange.

The liabilities are stated to exceed Yen 50,000,000, and the assets between Yen 42,000,000 and Yen 43,000,000.

The firm's difficulties are confirmed by a statement that the Government, to whom application had been made to assist the firm, is unable to comply.

Business at present is not suspended and it is believed that the firm is likely to be reorganised for the purpose of taking over all the assets and liabilities.

The Eiraku Bank, which is a creditor to the extent to Yen 9,000,000, announces suspension of payment three weeks from today.

Messrs. Takata & Co.'s creditors met this afternoon, headed by the Yokohama Specie Bank, Bank of Chosen, Mitsui Bank, Mitsu Bishi Bank and the Industrial Bank, beside 15 others, including the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.

The first five banks were appointed a committee to investigate the position of the firm and to report.

Later.

The affairs of Messrs. Takata & Co. are attracting much attention, pending the decision of the creditor banks. While some advocate assistance from the banks to the firm, a considerable section of business opinion holds the view that matters should take their normal course with a view to strengthening the economic structure of the country.—Daily Bulletin.

MOTOR ACCIDENT.

**KNOCKED DOWN BY
UNIVERSITY MAN.**

A car driven by Mr. D. W. Morley, of the Hongkong University, knocked a Chinese over at Causeway Road, near Lower Castle Road, during the week-end.

The accident was caused by the man running across the road in front of the car. Taking the man in the car to the Government Civil Hospital, Mr. Morley reported to the police that the injuries consisted of abrasions to the knees and hands.

KING'S ILLNESS. LONG RECOVERY EXPECTED. YACHT CRUISE RECOM- MENDED.

London, Feb. 22.

His Majesty's three medical attendants paid a lengthy visit to the Palace this evening. They issued a bulletin at eight o'clock as follows:—

"The King passed a fair day. There is still a rise of temperature in the evening, but the slow progress continues. The onset of influenza is somewhat severe. The bronchitis is extending to the bases of the lungs—a form of malady apt to be tedious and resistant. In order to secure complete restoration to health and fitness we advise, when convalescence is reached, that His Majesty should proceed to South Europe and on a yacht cruise of a few weeks.—Reuter.

SOVIET'S DEBTS. CONDITIONS FOR REPAYMENT.

Moscow, Feb. 22.

Interviewed by the Rosta news agency, at Leningrad, M. Krassin



M. Krassin.

stated that probably next week Soviet experts headed by M. Prokhorovskiy would accompany him to Paris to begin a preliminary examination of the French claims with regard to debts, and inform the Soviet counter-claims, arising from losses owing to foreign intervention in Russia.

The negotiations would be long and difficult. The Soviet, although it has definitely refused to admit the legality of debts contracted under the Czarist regime, had not refused to come to an arrangement with bond holders provided the total of Russia's debt be reduced. Even partial compensation to bond holders depended on the granting of big, long term loans to Russia.

The Soviet would be prepared to come to a definite agreement with regard to debts under certain conditions, if financial assistance were received from France sufficiently generous to enable it to spend the surplus on the compensation of bond holders.—Reuter.

DESERT BOMBING PRACTICE. IN SHADOW OF PYRAMIDS.

Cairo, Feb. 22.

The examination of the persons arrested and suspected of connection with the murder of the Sirdar has disclosed that the same

THE FOOSHING. OFF THE ROCKS. WILL PROBABLY BE BEACHED.

Salvage work is progressing on the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's s.s. Fooshing, which is ashore on the Lammoeks. The vessel appears to be badly damaged, and the success of the salvage operations will depend on the weather.

This morning, a wireless message was received from the tug Kenry Keswick, this stating that everything possible is being done to save the vessel, that a fresh monsoon is blowing and that everything now depends on weather conditions. Some of the cargo is being jettisoned in the effort to float the boat, but the vessel is rather badly damaged for about a third of her length from the stem.

The s.s. Kwongsang, belonging to the same Company, arrived in Hongkong this morning and reported that she stood by the stranded vessel on Sunday, taking off the Chinese passengers and the comrade's staff, who were landed at Swatow.

The master of the Fooshing (Capt. McAlinh) is still aboard the vessel, together with officers and engineers.

It appears that the vessel is hanging on by her bow to one of the White Rocks, a small cluster lying three miles in a south-westerly direction from the Lammoeks Island lighthouse.

VESSEL GOT OFF.

Later.

We are informed by Messrs Jardine Matheson and Co. that a message was received this afternoon by the Kowloon Docks to the effect that the Fooshing has been got off the rocks and is being towed to Namoa Island which is situated north-west of White Rocks.

It is probable that the steamer will be beached there for repairs, so as to make her seaworthy before proceeding either to Swatow or Hongkong.

The news of the salvage of the vessel has given great satisfaction to her owners.

**AN OLD TOPIC.
AND A FORGOTTEN
THRILL.**

Baltimore, Feb. 22.

Mr. Owon Young, of Dawson plan fame, receiving an honorary degree at the Johns Hopkins University, recalled the thrill felt by the world when the United States first suggested the destruction of some of the implements of warfare as a step towards peace. He declared the next thing that happened was the passage by the American Congress, "without careful study, without many facts, without restraint either in word or act" of An Immigration Bill, offensive to the pride and dignity of a great nation in the Pacific with which America had every reason to live in peace.

He added that the occurrence of the great disaster to Japan had served to show unmistakably America's true sentiments towards Japan.—Reuter.

gang some time ago were practising bombing in the shelter of the Pyramids, when one was accidentally killed and was buried in the desert by his companions.

The deceased's mother was heavily bribed to keep silence, but now corroborates the story.

The police are searching for the body.—Reuter.

**LOS ANGELES
RETURNS.**

MAILS SUCCESSFULLY
DELIVERED.

New York, Feb. 22.

The dirigible Los Angeles returned to Lakehurst hangar at midnight, from Bermuda, where it dropped its mail-bag in the garden of the Governor's residence at Hamilton.—Reuter's American Service.

GERMAN ASSASSINS. AN ALLEGED CONFESSION

Moscow, Feb. 22.

The papers state that the three German students arrested on Feb. 16th are alleged to have confessed that they came to Moscow definitely intending to murder M. M. Stalin and Trotsky. They brought poison and revolvers for the purpose.—Reuter.

BRITISH ARMY ESTIMATES. POLICY IN EGYPT AND INDIA. SHIPPING AGREEMENTS.

London, Feb. 22.

The Army Estimates are not yet ready for publication, but the Times gives a forecast indicating that decreases will be shown both in money and men.

The proposed expenditure is stated to be reduced by half a million sterling, and establishments are cut down by nine hundred men.

The total vote of £44,500,000 practically represents a return to normal pre-war expenditure, when allowance is made for the higher costs of to-day, such as the soldiers' increase in pay from seven shillings to nearly one pound, and the increase in non-effective charges due to the Great War and the rise in retired rates. The military budget has been brought down in three years by eighteen millions.

INDIA AND EGYPT. No Change of Policy.

London, Feb. 21.

In a speech at Birmingham last night, Lord Birkenhead made passing reference to Egypt.

He said they must, in common fairness, say that Mr. Austen Chamberlain, in his handling of the problem arising there, had not departed in any material respect from the policy which, in circumstances, was greater party difficulties, was courageously adopted by his predecessor, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

There never was, in dealing with India or Egypt, the slightest failure on the part of the late Prime Minister to indicate courageously and in unmistakable language what the responsibility of Britain was in India and Egypt, and his view of our responsibility was indelible.

MUCH ADO. THE "MISSING" MAJOR.

Paris, Feb. 22.

The Chicago Tribune learns that Major Wood is at present staying with American friends at Biarritz.

—Reuter.

[An earlier telegram from Paris expressed concern at Major Wood's "disappearance". The son of Governor General Wood of the Philippines, the Major came into prominence last year through successful Wall Street speculations over the telegraph lines.]

THE BULGARIAN COMMUNISTS. INTRODUCE TERRORISM.

Sofia, Feb. 22.

Official investigations report, that in connection with the recent outrages in Bulgaria, the existence of the Communist "Cheka" in Sofia, which has condemned persons to death, carrying out its sentences by means of terrorists. The president of the "Cheka," also one Petkonovskoff (allegedly connected with the Agrarian Communists abroad have been arrested, and have fully confessed.—Reuter.

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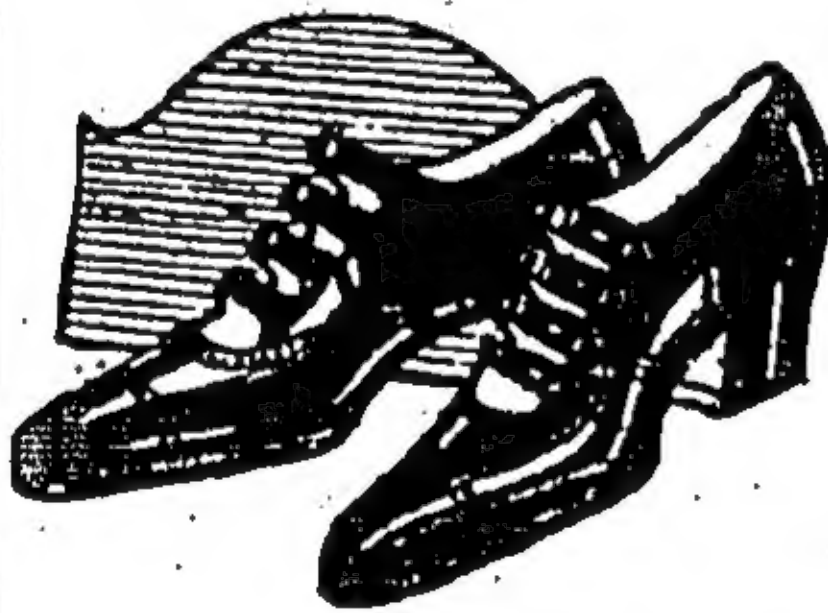
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

TERRIBLE MINE EXPLOSION IN AMERICA.

Sullivan, Indiana, February 22.
One hundred and twenty-five miners were entrapped as the result
of a violent explosion, attributed to gas ignition, in the City Coal
company's mine. Eight dead bodies have been brought to the
surface up to the present. It is believed that fifty have perished.
Gas masked rescuers are bringing up the bodies. Thousands of
men and women have gathered at the pitheads.

Later.
Hitherto twenty-eight mangled and burned bodies have been
brought to the surface. Twenty-three are still underground and
hope of saving them alive has been abandoned. Experts are unable
to determine the exact cause of the explosion.—*Reuter's American
Service.*

M. CAILLAUX RETURNS TO PUBLIC LIFE.

Paris, February 21.
The triumphal return of M. Caillaux to public life is the most
remarkable recent political event in France, considering that the
defeated ex-premier, who was recently amnestied, has been the best
hated man in France. The explanation probably is France's present
need of a man reputed to be her ablest financier, with fluctuations
of the franc again causing disquiet. Though M. Caillaux's speech
to supporters of the Left Bloc gave no hint of his future plans, several
newspapers predict that M. Caillaux will return to power before the
year is ended. Newspapers of the Right faction ironically declare
that M. Caillaux is offering himself as dictator of the Left.—*Reuter.*

POLITICAL AND INDUSTRIAL LEVIES.

London, February 21.
A private members' Bill, which was subjected to a storm of
Labour and Liberal denunciation in advance, passed its first reading
in the House of Commons. The object is the separating of political
and industrial funds of trade unions and illegalising political
levies without the specific agreement of members. Instead of the
present system which merely gives members the right to contract
out. The Bill rigidly forbids the application of ordinary funds
to political purposes and lays down that political contributions
are collectable quarterly, half yearly or annually. The measure
is assured of strong Conservative backing, but its fate depends
on the Government granting facilities for its passage.—*Reuter.*

ACTIVITY OF BOLSHEVIKS IN CHINA.

London, February 21.
Brigadier General Bruce, addressing the Central Asian Society
last night, declared that China was a riddle which very few could
read. There was nothing the Chinese could do if they wished, but
they were lacking so far as Western ideals were concerned. A serious
problem in China to-day was the activity of Bolsheviki, who were
seeking to close the door to every other nation in China. Progress
must be made through Chinese mentality.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH AND FRENCH CONVERSATIONS.

London, February 21.
Reuter learns that Mr. Chamberlain, en route to Geneva, will
attend the Council of the League of Nations on March 9 and will
probably meet M. Herriot in Paris. It is emphasised that in view
of the important issues now before the Allies, a personal exchange of
views at the present would be most welcome. Mr. Herriot is un-
able to come to London owing to his pre-occupation with the French
financial situation.—*Reuter.*

GERMANY'S ZEPPELIN WORKS.

Washington, February 22.
In the Senate, Mr. Copeland protesting against the intended
destruction of Germany's Zeppelin works declared that such a step
would be a world calamity and gave notice of a resolution directing
the State Department to bring the opposition of the United States
government thereto to the attention of the Council of Ambassadors.
—*Reuter's American Service.*

COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY IN BULGARIA.

Sofia, February 21.
It stated that the police have discovered a widespread Communist
conspiracy. Seven persons have been arrested. It transpires
that a Bolshevik emissary recently toured Bulgaria, inspecting secret
Communist organisations.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH MANDATE OVER PALESTINE.

Washington, February 21.
The Senate has ratified the Treaty recognising the British
mandate concerning Palestine and also guaranteeing equality of
treatment for respective nationals in Palestine.—*Reuter's American
Service.*

A PARIS SENSATION.

Paris, February 22.
Major Osborn Wood, son of the Governor of the Philippines,
has been missing since Monday and fears are entertained of his
safety.—*Reuter.*

H. M. THE KING'S HEALTH.

London, February 21.
An official bulletin says that H. M. the King's temperature has
not yet settled. Progress continues, though slowly.—*Reuter*

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE FRENCH POLICY IN THE PACIFIC.

Paris, February 22.
The French policy in the Pacific is being much discussed.
M. Jacques Bardoux, in an article in *Le Temps*, frankly regrets the
termination of the Anglo-Japanese alliance and urges Anglo-French
co-operation in giving Japan such assurances as would deter her from
committing herself too far in association with Russia, and there-
after with Germany.

An ex-Minister, M. Albert Sarraut, delivered a speech urging
Franco-British co-operation. He pointed out that France was able
to assist in securing the safety of India, which was threatened
by Bolshevik Russia, as it always was by Tsarist Russia.
French support in Egypt could contribute to the protection of
the route to India, which French Syria covers, and the French
port, Djibouti, could help Aden to ensure Indo-China, and constitute
a bastion for India, Saigon and Singapore, and the docks at
Singapore would be idle without Tonkin coal and Annam iron.
M. Sarraut declared that such help would be most valuable.
M. Bardoux and M. Sarraut both insisted that Franco-British in-
terests in Asia, as in Africa, were indissolubly linked.

It is declared that the main purpose is to detach Japan from
the formidable coalition in which Russia is said to be aiming, and
in which Germany is already involved.—*Reuter.*

THE BARMAT AFFAIR.

Berlin, February 21.
It is announced that the Committee appointed by the Reichstag
to enquire into the Barmat affair has decided to suspend examina-
tion of witnesses regarding relations between President Ebert and
Barmat. A representative of the Centre Party is of the opinion
there was nothing to show that the President has been in any way
indiscreet.—*Reuter.*

SHANGHAI TRADE.

WEEKLY MARKET REPORT.

Shanghai, February 21.—The
N. C. D. News, in its weekly mar-
ket report, says that the great fea-
ture in the local markets during
the past week has been the
broadening of the basis on which
business stands. At the com-
mencement of the week the Chinese
dealers were nervous regarding
the political situation, but as the
week advanced this seemed to give
place to a considerable degree of
confidence, and an advance at the
piece goods auctions was notice-
able.
The same broadening influence
was evident in the export market.
There were more enquiries gener-
ally, and only the scarcity of local
stocks seems to prevent a reason-
ably large business being trans-
acted.
The strike has influenced busi-
ness in yarns during the week. A

THE CHINESE
RAILWAYS.DEPLORABLE RAILWAY
CONDITIONS.

Shanghai, February 20.—The
deplorable conditions on the
Shanghai-Nanking Railway con-
tinue.

No night trains are running,
and there are no first or second
class carriages available, the con-
tents of many of the coaches
having been damaged or stolen
by the soldiers, who are still living
and sleeping in the best carriages
at various sidings. The passengers
are thus travelling in the third-
class carriages or in the vans and
trucks.

The trains are subject to much
delay and the connections are
bad.

It will be some weeks at the best
before conditions can be restored
to normal.

The N. C. D. News, in the course
of a leading article on the subject,
concludes by saying that as Sir J.
W. R. Maclay is proceeding from
Peking to Shanghai next week, no
doubt extraordinary efforts will
be made to persuade him to travel
by rail and to provide him with a
through connection in order to
throw dust in his eyes regarding
the true state of the railway.

The N. C. D. News sincerely
hopes that Sir J. W. R. Maclay
and Lady Maclay will choose the
sea route, so as not to lend them-
selves to this deception.—*Daily
Bulletin.*

report suggesting an early settle-
ment, however, has reached Osaka,
and the result is that lower prices
are now quoted there.—*Daily
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UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE.

**BILL INTRODUCED TO
JAPANESE DIET.**

Tokyo, February 22.—The Government's long promised Universal Suffrage Bill was presented to the Diet to-day. It is a lengthy document and provides franchise for all males over twenty-five years, excepting the heads of noble families, military and naval officers on active service, Government officials and others in charge of elections, imbeciles and bankrupts, as well as those who, because of their being unable to support themselves, receive public and private philanthropy, and those who have undergone more than a six year term of imprisonment. The Bill entitles all males over thirty years to the right of election to the Diet, except the heads of noble families, naval and military officers on active service and Government officials (excluding Ministers of State) and provides for the elections thirty days after dissolution. The Bill would enfranchise ten million people. Extraordinary precautions are being taken against demonstrations by reactionaries who strongly oppose the extension of the suffrage.—*Reuter.*

SEIZURE OF U. S. SHIP.

**VESSEL AND CAPTAIN
NOW RELEASED.**

Peking, February 21.—Wireless messages received at the American Legation say that the seizure of the steamer Chichuen is the sequel to the sinking of a sampan in which the vessel was in some way concerned as the result of which a Chinese Major and two soldiers were drowned. The Major and his escort attempted to board the steamer and was refused a passage in accordance with the policy of the American river boats declining to accept Chinese military passengers. The steamer was put under guard shortly after this incident, and passengers, including Americans, were prevented from transferring to other vessels. The Commander of the U. S. gunboat Eleano was sent down river with a guard from Ichang on a merchant vessel to investigate the matter. Strong representations have been made to Tschun Hsiao Yoo-nan.

Ichang, February 21.—The American ship Chichuen and the Captain have been released, arriving at Ichang to-day.—*Reuter.*

CORREGIDOR TRAM DISASTER.

THE CASUALTIES.

Manila, February 20.—As a result of the overturning of an electric tram in the military reservation on Corregidor Island, it is now reported that the dead include Warrant Officer Carter, Staff Sergeant Davidson, and a Filipino private, and that Lieut. Hayden, several American enlisted men, Mrs. Herring, Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Ellis were injured.

It is believed that some children and several of the injured may die.—*Daily Bulletin.*

COTTON STRIKE AT SHANGHAI.

**JAPAN SENDS NOTE TO
CHINA.**

Peking, February 20.—The Japanese Legation sent a Note to the Chinese Foreign Office drawing attention to the cotton mill strike at Shanghai, and urging the Government to watch the strikers and to prevent a repetition of the recent incident in which several Japanese employees were injured.—*Reuter.*

LINCHENG OUTRAGE.

**CHINESE GOVERNMENT
PAYING UP.**

Peking, February 21.—The Chinese Government has paid the Senior Minister three hundred thousand dollars in full settlement of Li's A and B of the Lincheng demands, leaving only supplementary claims, some of which the Chinese think should be reduced.—*Reuter.*

NEW TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT.

**BUILDING
AND AGRICULTURE.**

There is unusual interest in the formation of the New Territories Building and Agricultural Development Company to develop land at Sheung Shui, with an area of about 220,000 square feet. The land is on the Fanling-Castle Peak road and lends itself to the construction of bungalows. At present the company has 220,000 square feet, which it proposes to develop for building houses and laying out gardens. Either the sites will be sold or houses will be constructed and sold, upon terms which purchasers will be able to afford. Negotiations are also pending for the acquisition by the company of additional land for agricultural purposes, and in this respect the company announces in its prospectus that it will endeavour to provide the Colony with industries which at present are entirely moribund or, at best, very poorly developed. It is proposed to attempt the breeding of cattle and sheep, poultry farming, sericulture and the raising of vegetables and fruit, and also to undertake various cognate enterprises, such as the preserving and pickling of fruit and vegetables and curing of meat.

A Land Bank.

The prospectus states:—The company has already acquired the services of a competent farmer and three assistants by whom the agricultural and stock breeding work above mentioned will be undertaken.

The company will also establish a land bank for the purpose of making loans for the encouragement of farming upon the security of farms or of the crops to be raised by those farming the company's land and by other farmers.

The promoters are satisfied by experiments which they have made, extending over the course of the last few years, that there is much land in the New Territories suitable for agricultural and stock breeding purposes and in view of the scarcity of locally produced meat, fruit and vegetables, they are confident that a large market, not only in Hongkong, but in surrounding places awaits the products of the company.

The unsettled condition of China is causing the very rapid development of the New Territories and land is constantly increasing in value. At the same time, prices of all the necessities of life are advancing for the same reason. The promoters accordingly feel that not only should the value of the company's capital assets increase but also that its various enterprises should offer scope for substantial profit, even if its prices are maintained at a reasonable level.

Interesting Scheme.

The scheme will recall the appeal for funds for an agricultural college for girl orphans, details of which were published in the S. C. M. Post a few days ago. This, if it materialises, will be in the same locality. As stated then, the services of an agricultural expert have been secured. He has already commenced work, and on land controlled by this new company a considerable number of utility plants and trees have been planted. It is hoped to establish an experimental farm and generally the project is a most interesting one.

The first directors of the Company are all well-known. They are Messrs. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, Leung Yan-po, F. P. de V. Soares, Peter Leung Hing-keo and Wong Kwong-tin. The company is to have a capital of \$250,000 divided into 25,000 shares of \$10 each. Of these, the directors are allotting 2,200 shares to the vendors of the land, Messrs. de Sousa, Soares and Leung Yan-po, of which number 500 will cover the purchase price of the land (\$5,000) and 1,700 the cost of development hitherto and promotion cost. This will leave 22,800 shares for public subscription.

KASHGAR OFFICERS' LOSSES.

GOLD WATCHES STOLEN.

Three of the officers of the P. and O. s.s. Kashgar, which brought the mails on Saturday, sustained losses of valuables or money whilst the ship was in port. Reports have been made to the police that the first and fourth officers had gold watches valued at \$40 each, stolen from their cabins, whilst the electrician discovered that \$5 in English money had disappeared.

FORTHCOMING NAVAL CONFERENCE.

**PRINCE GEORGE TO JOIN
HAWKINS AT SINGAPORE.**

Twelve British and Australian warships will participate in the naval visit to Singapore, which takes place this month and during the early part of March. The first arrivals were H. M. S. Durban and H. M. S. Blusbell, which are at present on a visit to Penang.

On Saturday, says the Singapore Free Press of February 13, H. M. S. Ambrose and H. M. S. Marazion, with two or three submarines, will arrive, and they, too, will visit Penang after spending a couple of days at Singapore.

The remainder of the visiting ships will arrive towards the end of the month. H. M. S. Hawkins, the flagship of the China Squadron, with Vice Admiral Sir Alan Everitt, K.C.M.G., on board, will be accompanied by H. M. S. Carlisle and H. M. S. Petersfield. As has already been announced, H. R. H. Prince George is to serve on the China Squadron. The Prince will make the voyage to Singapore on one of the P. and O. steamers, we are informed, and will join H. M. S. Hawkins early in March while Admiral Everitt's flagship is there.

Rear-Admiral Herbert Richmond, Commander-in-Chief of the East Indies Station, will arrive on H. M. S. Chatham.

The two ships of the Australian Navy, H. M. S. Sydney, with Rear-Admiral Percival Hall-Thompson (First Naval Member of the Royal Australian Naval Board) on board, and H. M. S. Brisbane, will arrive from Australia. At the same time H. M. S. Adelaide, the Australian cruiser which accompanied the Special Service Squadron from Australia to England, and H. M. S. Concord, a British warship which is being lent to the Australian Navy for six months, will be in port on their way to Australia, whether they will probably proceed with the Sydney and Brisbane.

M.C.C. IN SCORING MOOD.

**SANDHAM AND WOOLLEY
CENTURIES.**

Sydney, February 21.—It was a warm day and there were 16,000 spectators present to see Gilligan win the toss and send Bryan and Sandham to a good wicket. When stumps were drawn for the day the tourists had scored 307 for three wickets, the batsmen showing the most complete mastery of the New South Wales bowling throughout. Sandham, who scored 137, played an excellent innings and showed clever placing. He was batting for 253 minutes and hit twelve fours. With Bryan, who scored 72, he put on 133 for the first wicket. Bryan batted for two hours and gave two chances. He hit seven fours. Sandham left when the total was 338. Woolley was exhilarating, hitting very freely all round the wicket and had passed the century mark when stumps were drawn. He hit a six and seventeen fours and received a great ovation. This is the quickest scoring the M. C. C. have done during their tour. Collias tried nine bowlers.—*Reuter.*

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HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, 5th March, 1925. ENTRIES will be FINITELY CLOSE at 1 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 25th February, 1925, at the Hon. Secretary's office, but intending exhibitors are requested to send in their ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

SCHEDULES HAVE BEEN SENT TO PATRONS. LIFE MEMBERS AND ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

MEMBERS who have not yet paid their subscription and ALL THOSE who wish to join the SOCIETY are kindly requested to send \$5 immediately to the Hon. Secretary Mr. E. B. C. HORNELL, c/o Messrs Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.

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Copies of the Prospectus and forms of Application can be obtained from the Company's Bankers, The P. and O. Banking Corporation Ltd. and from the Registered Office of the Company in China Building (7th floor), Queen's Road Central, Hongkong. This Notice is not to be regarded as an invitation to the public to subscribe for shares and applications will only be received on the footing of the full prospectus and on the form issued therewith. Dated Hongkong, 23rd February 1925.

A. BENEMERITO,
Secretary,
7, China Building,
Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 21, 1925.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

THE Final Dividend declared for the year ending 31st December 1924, at the rate of Three Pounds sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is payable on and after the 2nd February 1925 at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for warrants.

By order of The Court of Directors

A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 21st Feb. 1925.

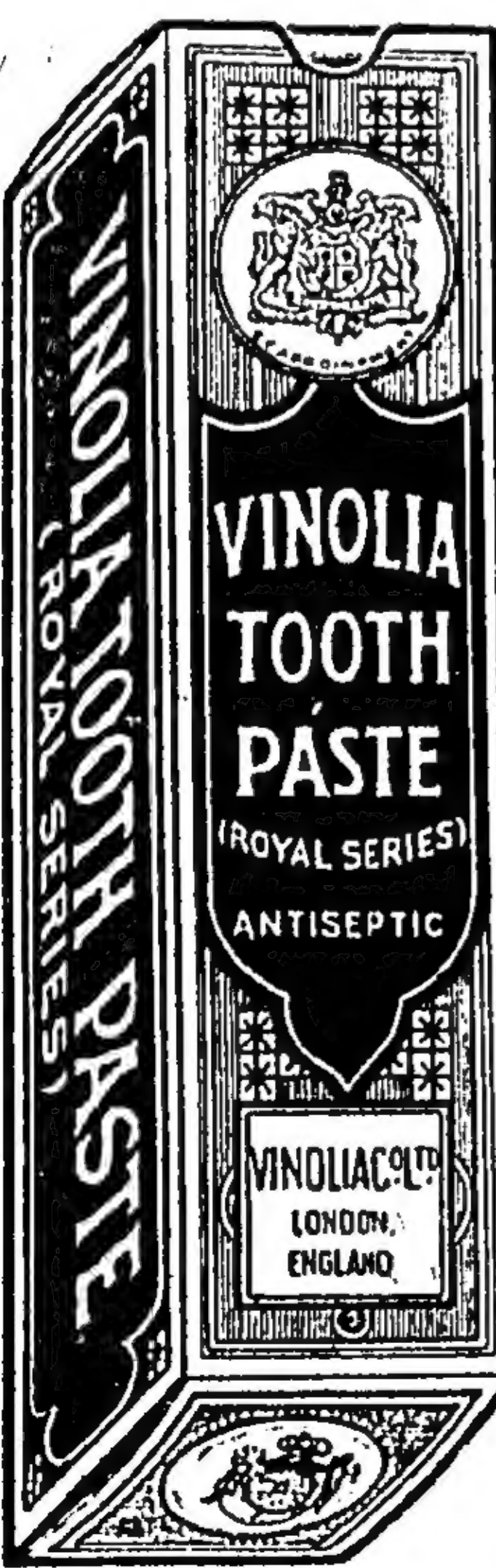
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NOTICE.

ALL accounts outstanding against the Estate of the late W. A. J. Cooper (deceased) are to be sent in to the undersigned not later than 26th Feb 1925.

H. A. LAMMERT,
Bank of Canton Building,
19th, February 1925.

NOTICE.

MEMBERS OF THE
HONGKONG SHARE-
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The following are members of the above Association:
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By order of the Committee,
J. W. KEW,
Secretary.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

N. Y. K. LINE

(NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.)

FROM EUROPE & STRAITS.

The Steamship "MITO MAR" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Goods not cleared by the 1st March, 1925, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be lost in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co. representatives on any Tuesdays & Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

Hongkong, 22nd February 1925

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Consignees per Company's

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Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd March, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 16th March, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Agents

Hongkong, 23rd Feb. 1925.

THE HONGKONG RICE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE FIFTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Charter Road, Victoria, on Thursday, the 26th February 1925 at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December 1924, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday the 16th February 1925 until Thursday 26th February 1925, both days inclusive.

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General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th February 1925

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to be registered in the Land

Office as Section B of K. I. L. No.

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The area is 4023 sq. ft. or thereabouts and the Crown Rent payable is \$16.20.

Lot 3.

All that piece of ground situate

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to be registered in the Land

Office as Section C of K. I. L. No.

1172, together with the message

thereon known as No. 3, Almal Villas.

The area is 3892 sq. ft. or thereabouts and the Crown Rent payable is \$15.65.

Lot 4.

All that piece of ground situate

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to be registered in the Land

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The area is 3876 sq. ft. or thereabouts and the Crown Rent payable is \$15.55.

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The area is 6763 sq. ft. or thereabouts.

The area of R. P. of K. I. L. No. 1172 is 62 sq. ft. or thereabouts.

The Crown Rent in respect of the R. P. of K. I. L. No. 1171 is \$27.45.

The Crown Rent in respect of the R. P. of K. I. L. No. 1172 is \$0.25.

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ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH
CUP TIES.

London, February 21.—Following are the results of the ties in the third rounds of the English and Scottish Cups and in the League played to-day.

English Cup.	
Southampton	2 Bradford City
Liverpool	2 Birmingham
Notts. City	0 Cardiff C.
W. Bromwich	1 Aston Villa
Sheffield U.	1 Everton
Tottenham	2 Blackburn
Hull City	1 Leicester
West Ham	1 Blackpool

Scottish Cup.	
Kilmarnock	5 Dykehead
St. Mirren	2 Partick
Aberdeen	0 Motherwell
Broxburn	2 Falkirk
Hamilton	1 Raith
Rangers	5 Aberdeen
Dundee	3 Arbroath
Celtic	2 Stirling Albion

English League—Div. 1.	
Bolton	5 Burnley
Huddersfield	1 Manchester C.
Newcastle	2 Sunderland

Division 2.	
Coventry C.	1 Wednesday
Fulham	1 Wolves
Portsmouth	0 Barnsley
South Shields	0 Oldham
Stockport	4 Chelsea
Stoke	0 Clapton

Division 3 (South.)	
Bournemouth	0 Swindon
Brighton	1 Bristol C.
Bristol R.	1 Plymouth
Exeter	4 Newport
Gillingham	2 Abertawe
Luton	0 Norwich C.
Merthyr	0 Northampton
Millwall	3 Brentford
Queen's Park	0 Charlton
Reading	3 Watford
Swansea	4 Southend

Division 3 (North.)	
Ashington	1 Crowe
Barrow	3 Walsall
Bradford	3 Rotherham
Darlington	3 Chesterfield
Doncaster	1 Wrexham
Grimsby	2 New Brighton
Hartlepool	1 Halifax
Nelson	1 Wigan
Rochdale	0 Accrington
Southport	1 Durham
Tranmere	0 Lincoln

Scottish League.
Third Lanark. 2 Hearts
Hibernians 4 Cowdenbeath
Morton 4 Queen's Park

Puddlefoot Transferred.
Falkirk, who paid West Ham £5,000 for Puddlefoot, have transferred him to Blackburn for £1,000.

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INTERPORT SERIES
AT SHANGHAI.

If the Hongkong yachtsmen knew what was being prepared for them up here they would not wait but would come up and receive the invitation on the spot, says the N. C. D. News. Not only will the Shanghai Yacht Club challenge them, but the Midget Yacht Club also will send a challenge, and with racing on the Huangpu and also on the Henli reach they will get a regular glut of sport of the most exciting and interesting kind, with no end of variation. It is understood, unofficially, that it is proposed to have the races some time in June, if convenient to the visitors, and that would be the best time. Unless the weather be capricious, we should then be having the seasonal southwest monsoon, which blows steadily and with enough force to test a skipper's ability, though not sufficiently to make it uncomfortable sailing. It appears to be accepted that Kobe will send a team as well.

GOLF.

THE JUNIOR
CHAMPIONSHIP.

The second round of the Junior Championship was played at Fanning yesterday, with the following results:
1. S. Greenhill beat G. B. Layton by 8 up and 6 to play.
A. E. Lissaman beat J. W. Alabaster at the 20th hole.
H. G. Hogarty beat W. B. Cornaby, 6 and 4.
J. W. Franks walk over from A. C. I. Bowker.
A. D. Humphreys beat Lt-Col. E. D. Matthews at the 10th hole.
Major Milner Jones beat Major Hyland, 4 and 8.
A. O. Brawn beat A. Morrison, 5 and 4.
G. B. Hett beat F. N. Young, 7 and 5.

THE WORLD THEATRE.

NOTABLE CAST IN
"THREE WISE FOOLS."

The cast which appears in "Three Wise Fools," King Vidor's first Goldwyn production, which is coming to the World Theatre on Wednesday next, is one of those remarkable casts which have come to be associated with Goldwyn pictures. The film was adapted from Austin Strong's successful comedy-drama by King Vidor, who also directed it.

Eleanor Boardman, who made such a striking success as Re-member Steadon in Rupert Hughes' "Souls for Sale," is featured in the role of Sydney Fairchild, a young woman, who, upon the death of her mother, was left to the care of three crabbed old bachelors who had been unsuccessful suitors for the mother's hand. Miss Boardman lends vivacity and charm to the role and acts with intelligence and finesse.

The "Three Wise Fools" of the title are played by Claude Gillingwater, William H. Crane and Alec Francis. Gillingwater is the actor who created the part of Findley in John Golden and Winchell Smith's successful stage production of three seasons ago, when it had an all-year run in Broadway. He brings to the screen characterisation the same homely and humanly comedy characterisation which made his stage characterisation so popular with the public. The role is just as good a one for Mr. Gillingwater's screen work as was his part of Pop Grout in "Remembrance."

William H. Crane, the Judge Trumbull in the film cast, is one of the veterans of the American stage. He recently celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his first theatrical appearance. He has been seen a few times in pictures, but this role in "The Three Wise Fools" is his first screen appearance in some time. The triumvirate is completed by Alec Francis in the role of Dr. Gaunt. Francis is an English actor who has appeared in many American stage and screen plays and always gives an excellent account of himself.

Others in the cast are John Salsapola, who has many stage and screen characterisations of outstanding merit to his credit; Brinsley Shaw, a recruit from the stage, who has found a fruitful field for his talents on the silver sheet; Lucien Littlefield, a well-known screen character actor; Zasu Pitts, who is well-known in leading roles and has since played the part of Trina in "Greed," Eric Von Stroheim's picture; and in the flash-back sequence showing "The Three Wise Fools" as youths, Creighton Hale, Trumbull, and Raymond Hutton, Dr. Gaunt, Martha Mattox, Fred J. Butler, Charles Hickman, Fred Emmett, and William Haines are also in the cast.

THE CANTON WAR
CHEST

UNHAPPY MERCHANTS.

For the purpose of raising funds to meet the expenses incurred by the campaign in the East River, district members of the Chamber of Commerce and other public bodies were invited by the Financial Commissioner to a tea party at the Provincial Treasury on Thursday afternoon, says the Canton Gazette. The invitation from the Financial Commissioner, after relating the difficulties on the part both of the Government and the merchant in recent years, during which heavy military expenditure has had to be borne in this province, invited the merchants to bring the present successful campaign to its final goal by assisting in raising the necessary funds.

The Commissioner pointed out that hesitation on the part of the merchants would mean longer suffering for themselves and the public. It was left to the merchants to propose means for meeting the financial need.

BOXER INDEMNITY.

THE GOLD FRANC
CONTROVERSY

Peking, February 25.—Discussion on the gold franc controversy are proceeding with an earnest desire on both sides to reach a settlement. The outcome appears hopeful.—Rout.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"SCARAMOUCHE"

"Scaramouche," Rex Ingram's long-awaited Metro production from the famous Sabatini novel, opened a week's engagement at the Queen's Theatre yesterday, and held audiences of Ramon Novarro, Alice Terry and Lewis Stone.

Rafael Sabatini's novel is too well known to require more than the briefest resume. Andre-Louis Moreau, played spiritedly by handsome, dashing Novarro, denounces nobility and devotes his life to the cause of the people, after his boyhood sweetheart, Aline, beautifully played by Alice Terry, accepts the attentions of the Marquis de la Tour d'Azyr, who killed Moreau's friend. Lewis Stone gives the finest performance of his career as the Marquis. Andre-Louis wins popularity with a traveling troupe of actors as Scaramouche, the clown. Engaged to Climeuse, the leading lady, he breaks with her when he learns La Tour is her lover. He denounces nobility and the Marquis from the stage one day, when La Tour occupies a box. Obligated to flee from persecution, Andre-Louis becomes a fencing master in Paris, and as his rapier speaks as eloquently as his tongue the patriot Danton makes him a deputy of the Assembly. The new deputy gives the aristocrats their own "medicine," and kills them off in duels, until he crosses swords with the expert La Tour. He wounds La Tour, but another misunderstanding again estranges him from Aline.

Then the storm of the revolution breaks, and when Aline falls a prey to the mob-lust of the maddened rabble, Andre-Louis saves her, in one of the most gripping scenes in any motion picture. The Marquis, revealed as Andre-Louis' closest blood relation, falls fighting before the mob, while Andre-Louis, Aline and his mother escape from the terror-stricken city.

LOWER DECK DANCE.

"FLAGSHIP'S CREW MAKE
MERRY."

A unique affair for Hongkong was the dance held by the men of H. M. S. Hawkins on board that ship on Friday evening.

The decorations and the arrangements, which prevailed for the officers. At home on the previous evening, remained for the ship's company dance and were much appreciated by the guests, who thoroughly enjoyed their novel experience.

Fancy dress was optional, but a large number took the opportunity of wearing gala dress, with the result that the quiverdeck presented a scene of riotous colour. Prizes were awarded for the best costumes and there were also lucky draw gifts.

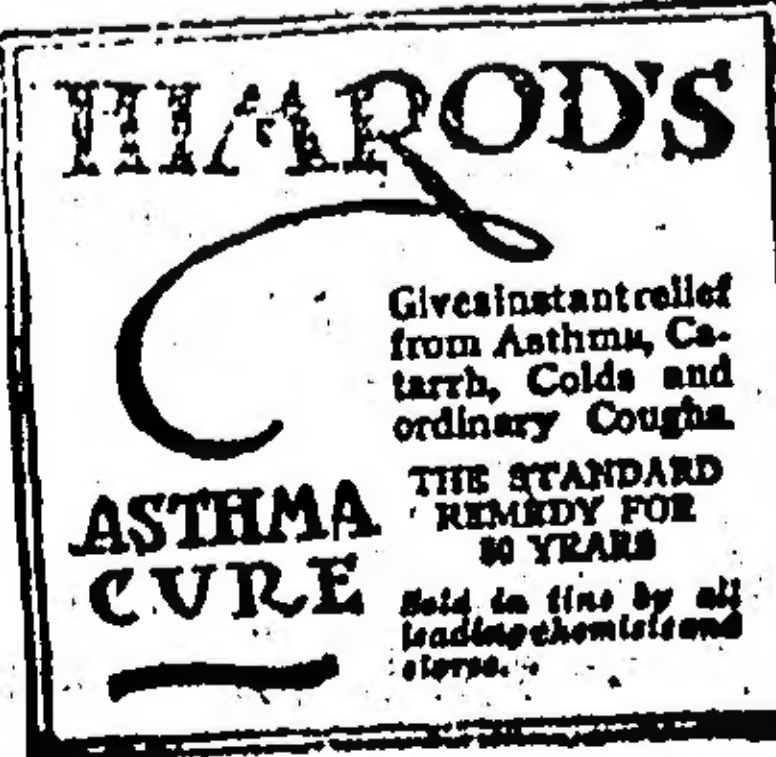
The Marine band of H. M. S. Hawkins provided the dance music and was repeatedly cheered for the excellence of their playing, until at midnight a closure was called and the guests departed.

The entire arrangements were capably carried out by a representative committee, under the able secretaryship of Mr. J. Tilbe.

H. M. S. Hawkins will leave for Singapore on Tuesday.

"SUNLIGHT"

"Sunlight" is the name of a new English journal published to help the abolition of smoke and the development of light as a hygienic and curative agency. The first number, which is attractively printed and illustrated, numbers among its contributors Sir Oliver Lodge, Dr. Leonard Hill, Dr. C. W. Saleeby, Mr. E. D. Simon, Mr. Clondesley Broerton, and Miss Margaret McMillan, who expound from various standpoints the latest scientific doctrines as to the relationship between sunlight and health.



NOTICE.

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NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th December, 1924, the name of the China American Industrial Developing Co., Ltd., was changed and the company will thereafter be known as "The Hongkong Excavation, Pile Driving, and Construction Co., Limited."

The Company will continue to carry on business as structural engineers and building contractors as heretofore under the new name.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 12th March, 1925 or they will not be recognised.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 23rd inst., 1925 at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the Thursday the 26th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Monday the 23rd inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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HONGKONG, 23rd Feb., 1925.

CHINA TO-DAY.

The chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank delivered a very long and interesting speech on Saturday, in keeping with the tradition which has made this annual utterance one of the best surveys of Far Eastern conditions that it is possible to have. For the purpose of this comment we shall take only the portion of the statement relating to the condition of China, with its reflection on the trade of the country. Mr. Pattenden, it might be noted, shares the opinion of many observers that the recent events in the North mean an end to the Republican administration—such as it was—of the past thirteen years. As he points out, it is impossible to forecast the next development, nor is it likely that much store can be placed by the announcements of policy contained in the inaugural speeches of successive governments of the country. However, it might be that the day has at last dawned when there is to be a change for the better, or at least a spell of continuous peace, following the proposed Reorganisation Conference. Well, we shall see what we shall see. The matter of China's future must truly be on the lap of the gods. The most important result of the endless strife in the country, from the point of view of the business community, has been the effect on trade—an adverse effect which has been reflected in many directions, and has further impaired the country's credit abroad. And when one remembers how much China has to look to foreign financial aid for her reorganisation programme, one realises the magnitude of the problem which faces her politicians and counsellors.

The Bank chairman touched upon another grave feature of the Chinese problem when he referred to the seizure by militarists in different parts of the country of the salt revenues. It will be generally agreed that events have shown the Powers' attitude of tolerance to be the wrong one, for unless something is done to safeguard the interests of foreign bondholders, not only will it be most unfair to those who have already invested their money in the development

of the country, but the very hopes of obtaining further credit for future schemes will be dashed. The Chinese administration is doing itself possibly irretrievable harm in its failure to tackle this feature of malpractice by its underlings. The interference with the railways, where foreign investments are also closely concerned, is another blot on the present tally sheet. It is to be feared that the avoidance of intervention by the Powers concerned has already gone too far. Then, what does the future hold out for China? Are we to see a change for the better, or a struggle for another decade without any advancement; or a further retrogression towards paramount chaos? Nobody has attempted to offer a conclusive prediction, and it may be, as one authority has declared, that China is a riddle which very few can read. The most one can do is to hope for a change to better conditions, though the quality of hope is by now considerably strained.

China's Railways.

The reference at Saturday's meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation to the misuses of railways in China finds apt confirmation, if any were needed, in the present deplorable conditions on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway. Here, according to a message from Shanghai, much of the rolling stock has been damaged, whilst troops are living and sleeping in the best carriages at sidings, leaving only third-class coaches and vans for the use of passengers. That is bad enough, but the railway is still in operation, which is more than can be said of the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon line, which has for long been in the hands of militarists, who have played havoc with the equipment and caused much damage to the permanent way, the stations and some of the bridges. Such are the consequences of civil war, which has held China in its grip for so many years. The loss in railway revenues, to say nothing of the other hardships which these interruptions in communication involve, must be immense. Yet the insensate folly continues, and there seems small prospect of a change for the better.

The Rent Question.

Public interest will this week be centred in the rent question, for the matter is to come before the Legislative Council on Thursday. Although there is no likelihood of the issue then being definitely decided, if, as is suggested, the question of the continuance of the protective Ordinance is to be referred to a committee of the Council, we trust that most serious consideration will be given to all aspects of the problem and that no hasty decision be reached. There is still a good deal of time in which to consult all the interests affected. Various suggestions have served to illustrate the extremely complicated character of the problem. We want to see a fair deal for everybody, if that is possible. That some form of protection is still needed there can be little doubt, but whether this can be secured by modification of an already complex statute it is hard to say. Maybe the best eventual solution of the problem will be by a process of gradual decontrol. Whatever the best course to pursue, the issue is one of high importance, and its decision will have a material effect on the general cost of living.

STREET FOOTBALL.

A YOUNGSTER CAUGHT.

Charged by Mr. Arnold with causing an obstruction to traffic at Pokfulam Road on the 21st inst., one of a team of ten boys engaged in a game of football until the arrival of the complainant put an abrupt stop to it, was fined \$2, with a caution, by Mr. S. B. B. McDermott at the Central Magistracy this morning. In evidence, the complainant said he was proceeding towards Hongkong from Pokfulam and near the Pumping Station came upon a group of boys playing football on the roadway. With the help of a friend, he succeeded in securing one of the players, but had to take him to the Police Station himself as there were no policemen about.

DAY BY DAY.

WHOM WE FEAR MORE THAN LOVE, WE ARE NOT FAR FROM HATING.—Mrs. Jameson.

The health return for the past two days shows one Chinese case of diphtheria.

The silk which left here by the P. and O. s.s. Kalyan on the 24th January was delivered in Marseilles on the 21st February, a transit of 28 days.

The Girl Guides and Brownies of Hongkong and Kowloon are to give a display of work at the Helena May Institute on Saturday, March 7th, at 3 p.m.

A returned banished was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Defendant was deported four years ago.

A Chinese taken from the water near the Star Ferry wharf by a constable yesterday and removed to the Government Civil Hospital is thought to have been endeavouring to drown himself.

There will be a Musical at the Helena May Institute on Thursday, February 26th, at 5.30 p.m. Tea served from 4.30. Tickets, for members and their friends, 50 cents each, to be obtained from the Secretary.—Advt.

The suspicious behaviour of a man in Hollywood Road yesterday evening gave the cue to a constable on duty to conduct a search. He found a revolver and three rounds of ammunition on the man. Another man who was together with the latter was also taken into custody.

Amongst the passengers who left by the P. and O. liner Kashmir were Mr. and Mrs. E. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Henderson, Mrs. W. E. L. Shenton, Mrs. R. Hancock, Mrs. C. Gordon Mackie, Mrs. P. R. de Courcy, Mr. H. Hancock, Mr. J. Cornioy, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin and Mr. W. Russell.

The Messageries Maritimes new steamer Compaigne is expected in Hongkong on her maiden voyage from Europe on Tuesday, the 2nd March. This vessel is the sister ship of the Chantilly and she will be engaged probably for the China and Far East. Her details are:—Displacement, 16,137 tons; gross tonnage, 5,394 tons; horse power, 5,600.

JUMPED OVERBOARD.

AFTER POURING BOILING WATER OVER HIMSELF.

When the two-funnel Canton steamer Lung Shan was heaving her anchor at Tai Mi crossing near Canton on Friday, the chief engineer, happening to look over the side, observed a man floating in the water. Seeing that the man's face was nearly black, he thought that one of his coal trimmers had fallen overboard. A lifebuoy with a line attached was thrown to the man, which he grasped, and was quickly hauled back on board the vessel. It was then found that he was one of the passengers, who had attempted to commit suicide by the unique method of throwing boiling water over himself and afterwards jumping overboard. Care was taken so that he would not be able to repeat his rather startling experiment.

EMBEZZLEMENT CASE.

AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE.

Jang Tan Lloyd, Managing Director of J. T. Lloyd and Company, of No. 23 Wyndham Street, who is being held on a charge of embezzlement of the Company's funds, amounting to \$22,800, had another charge preferred against him on appearance on remand before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy this morning. The new count was in respect of another item discovered as a result of examination of the books. At last week's hearing of the case, an application was made for withdrawal of the charge, since the money named had been refunded by the defendant's friends and relatives. Mr. Wood made it clear, however, at this morning's proceedings, that he could not allow the case to be withdrawn.

Lloyd was remanded until Monday next, when the evidence will be heard.

SHEK-LI-PUI WATERWORKS.

VOLUNTEERS ASSIST
DEMOLITIONS.

THE SCHEME DESCRIBED.

Progress with the Shek-li-pui waterworks scheme continues apace, and shortly the conservation of water over several hundred acres will be completed. It will be recalled that we made reference to this undertaking the other day, when we described the pending demolition of Shek-li-pui village.

This scheme may be termed an offshoot of the Shing-mun Valley work, and it is designed entirely for the Kowloon water supply. Shek-li-pui lies in the hills about midway between the sea towards Laichikok and the existing Tai-po reservoir, and the new reservoir is to augment the former when required. It is higher in the hills, and the water will flow readily to the Tai-po level such time as the augmentation might become necessary. At one side of the Shek-li-pui works is the tracing for the tunnel which is to tap the Shing-mun Valley supplies, and eventually carry that water reserve across the harbour to Hongkong.

The work is in the hands of the Public Works Department, the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Company, and Messrs. Armstrong Whitworth. Yesterday saw some interesting demolition operations at Shek-li-pui on the old village, which will be inundated when the dams are completed. The inhabitants have been given new homes in the nearby Shatin neighbourhood.

VOLUNTEERS AT WORK.

The following brief account of yesterday's operations is written by one who took part in them:

A party of the Engineer Company, H.V.D.C., about thirty strong, under the Co. officers and Sergt. Major, landed by launch at Laichikok, in the forenoon, and marched up to the elevated village of Shek-li-pui, about two miles away. It was a fine morning, and the climb through the hills, by shady pathways and beside rocky streams, then across the Tai-po reservoir, was on the whole quite enjoyable, even if it appeared strenuous to a few who had "believed to men" at the summit. After a short rest, the men were allotted their tasks, under the supervision of a captain Peary, R.E. Among the officers present were the H.V.D.C. Commandant, Lt. Col. L. G. Bird, and Col. Russell Brown, R.E. There were also two or three civilians, and a large number of interested Chinese coolies, to whom the "big bangs" must have been quite a treat.

An advance party had done much of the preliminary spadework on Saturday afternoon, but the tasks yesterday comprised the important ones of fixing the explosives in position and connecting up the wires to the electrical exploder, or else fixing fuses in such instances as were to be detonated that way.

The work was by nature of experiment as well as instruction, and fully achieved its purpose. In most cases the roofs had been removed by the departing inhabitants of the village, so that very little atmospheric pressure could be expected. Thus, instead of "blatting" the walls of the houses, the Volunteers had to blow away the corners. It was decided to fire off groups of explosive in portions of the village, as tests, and thus gain valuable data. Only some 200 pounds of gun-cotton was used for the entire scheme.

First, three successive charges were fired by time-fuse, and the three houses where they were exploded offered an interesting study for future demolition work. The display was a fine one to watch; and probably under the impression that the show was over the civilian section of onlookers began to disperse. But there was a great deal more to come.

SHOWERS OF STONES.

The major test was at the top end of the village, where two roofless houses had to be blown in (or out.) Here the slabs of gun-cotton were fixed in "boxes" in the corners, and secured with sand-bags and loose bricks. The charges were fired this time by electric exploder, and the result was a complete success for the calculations of those in charge. The walls were blown to pieces, and provided an illustration of

NEW STEAMER.

THE "HONG PENG" IN
PORT.

The s.s. Hong Peng which was formerly known as Bloomfontien, a well known ship on the Europe-Java run and newly acquired by the Ho Hong S. S. Co., Ltd., Singapore, arrived in port on Saturday. The ship was built in Dumbarton, and has a registered tonnage of about 4,700 tons. She has been refitted by the present owners and has excellent accommodations for seventy-six 1st-class and 24 2nd-class passengers. She can also carry about one thousand passengers in the steerage.

The Ho Hong S. S. Co., Ltd., is a Chinese concern registered in Singapore. The Company has been operating steamers for many years. It now owns a fleet of twelve ships three of which are engaged in the Straits-Amoy run, the other two ships engaged in the run being the Glenfalloch and the Hong Hwa, which was recently pirated.

The Ho Hong S. S. Co., Ltd., is an associated Company of the Ho Hong Oil Mills, the Ho Hong Cement Works, Ltd., the Ho Hong Rice Mills and the Ho Hong Bank, Ltd., which has a branch in Hongkong.

A reception was held on board the ship on Saturday afternoon at which many local business men attended. The ship sailed for Amoy yesterday morning and carried nearly one thousand passengers.

SERIOUS CHARGE.

GUNNER ON TRIAL.

Mistaken identity was the defence indicated by the cross-examination of the prosecution witnesses when the case was commenced, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, in which Gunner James Clement, of the R.G.A., is charged with a serious offence against a Chinese girl of eleven years.

Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg prosecuted for the Crown, and Mr. H. B. Fitzroy (instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ) defended. After outlining the circumstances of the case, Mr. Hazlerigg called the girl, her brother, a witness, and the girl's mother.

The girl, cross-examined as to the identification parade when she picked out another man, declared that they were all in uniform and appeared very much the same. She said that she was sure now that the man in the dock was the right one and declined to admit that she was influenced by the fact that he was in the dock.

The case, which is being heard before the Chief Justice, is proceeding.

RECKLESS DRIVING.

SANITARY VAN DRIVER CHARGED.

The driver of the Sanitary Department's motor van appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of reckless and dangerous driving on the Kowloon City Road on Saturday. It was stated that after passing three buses, the defendant lost control of his own vehicle, with the result that it crashed into a verandah pillar, injuring two sanitary employees, one of whom was a passenger on the van. As the result of the accident one of the men is in the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from internal injuries.

Defendant pleaded guilty to the charge, but was remanded until Thursday pending the recovery of the injured man.

how this type of structure has to be tackled.

Four further charges were filed in other parts of the village. In one case parts of a roof remained, and this resulted in the walls being flattened and a shower of tiles coming down.

In two other cases the concussion was great enough to send a big shower of stones high into the air, and the men suddenly found themselves being pelted at a distance of quite a hundred yards—but it all added to the interest of the work.

Lunch and refreshments were well earned, and much appreciated. The party were back in town about tea-time, healthily tired, and prepared to vote it the end of a perfect day.

HEAVY SENTENCES.

AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Two of a gang of men who terrorised the inmates of a brothel at Yaumati were charged at the Criminal Sessions, before the Police Judge, this morning, with robbery with violence.

Mr. H. K. Holmes prosecuted and stated that the gang stayed at the house for the night and next morning locked all the inmates in a cubicle, used violence towards one of them, and took away jewellery. One of the prisoners was recognised by one of the girls, who was walking in the street.

Prisoners pleaded guilty and, passing sentence of seven years hard labour, his Lordship said he would have ordered the "cat" but for the fact that they endeavoured to assist the police in the apprehension of the other men who were concerned.

ARMS CASES.

Two Chinese who pleaded guilty to having in their possession a loaded revolver and a revolver and three rounds of ammunition respectively, were each sentenced to seven years' hard labour, at the Criminal Sessions to-day.

SHOT BY PURSUING CONSTABLE.

A man who struggled to evade a search and was shot in the thigh when running away was charged at the Criminal Sessions, this morning, with the unlawful possession of a dagger. It was stated that he was soon to draw something and subsequently a dagger sheath was found in his garter.

Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz inflicted a penalty of three years' hard labour.

THEFT OF SEWING MACHINES.

Li Lam was charged at the Criminal Sessions this morning with stealing seven sewing machines from the Wing On Factory at Causeway Bay on January 16th.

Mr. H. K. Holmes, who said the machines were valued at \$160 (gold), prosecuted and mentioned that the case was simplified by the statement of the prisoner, who admitted that he was there and admitted receiving the machines, but denied the actual stealing.

The case is proceeding.

NEW INDIAN BATTALION.

ARRIVAL OF 5th. PUNJABIS.

Ten arrived on the troopship "Perthshire," yesterday, the 5th Punjab Regiment, from Rawalpindi, who are to take the place of the 24th Bombay Grenadiers (K.E.O.) who are proceeding to Connore. The new battalion disembarked at Kowloon this morning, presenting a very smart appearance.

The 5th battalion of the 2nd Punjab Regiment was recently the 87th Punjab. It has an interesting history, having been raised at Trichinopoly in 1793, by Major A. Lindsay, as the 1st extra battalion of Madras Native Infantry. It became the 1st Bn. of the 14th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry the same year, and continued as such for some years. In 1824 the designation was changed to the 25th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry; in 1855 it became the "27th Regiment of Madras Infantry"; in 1901 it became the "27th Madras Infantry"; and in 1903 was renamed the "87th Punjab." The present designation dates from 1922. The Punjab Regiment has a distinguished record of service, the battle honours comprising Sholinghur, Carnatic, Mysore, Malakpet, Ava, China, Pegu, Lucknow, and Burma 1855-57.

The British officers at present attached or with the fifth battalion, as given in the latest Army List, are:—Lt. Col. C. Mc G. Withers (in command), Major V. Coates, F. L. Gora, C.I.E., O.B.E.; P. T. L. Thompson, and O. I. M. Smith; Captains M. Middleton, J. M. Hunt, R. A. Slater, M.C., C. H. D. O'Callaghan, T. O. T. Ricketts, F. G. Bovis, F. M. D. Davell, O.B.E., R. M. Lunt, and M. G. O'Leary, M.B.E.; and Lieutenants H. J. Hawthorn, G. M. S. Webb and C. V. King. The Commandant obtained his first commission on January 20th, 1897, and attained his present rank of Lieutenant Colonel on February 1st, 1921.

SHIPPING NEWS.

LOCAL WATERFRONT ITEMS.

There was quite a lull in the monsoon during Saturday and Sunday, but to-day the gale is blowing again outside with renewed vigour, a strong gale having been reported by several vessels who have arrived to-day.

The H.M.H. Nemazee steamer Armanestan, Captain C. Mercer, arrived from Singapore on Saturday and had rough weather during the greater part of her trip.

The coaster Forder, Captain E. Dahl, arrived on Saturday from Saigon after a rather prolonged voyage and had very bad weather.

The Jardine Matheson steamer Barrymore, Captain H. W. Chandler, which arrived yesterday from Singapore, had mostly strong N.E. monsoon. She went alongside the Kowloon wharves.

The coaster Gittoro, Captain E. Tvodi, is now at the Kowloon Docks for her survey and reclassification.

The coaster Livingstone, Captain R. Ande, left to-day for Bangkok where she has obtained a time charter in the Bangkok to Hongkong and Swatow trade.

Another coaster, the Prominent, Captain A. Jensen, arrived this morning from Saigon and reports that there is now a full gale blowing outside, dirty and rainy weather and tremendously high seas. Nevertheless, by following a route best known to himself, Captain Jensen managed to bring his vessel up in slightly more than five days.

On her way up from Saigon with a cargo of rice and paddy, the steamer Changchow ran into the north-east monsoon, meeting with such heavy seas that a small portion of the cargo was washed overboard. She arrived in port yesterday after spending nine days on a trip that in normal weather conditions should not occupy more than five days.

When the Kwong Ying, Captain R. Williams, had completed her extensive repairs at the Kwong Fook Hing's small shipyard at Yaumati, her Company's steamer the Kwong Hung immediately took her place in order to have considerable repairs carried out to her engines.

The Cheun Chow, Captain H. Jones, is now finished with her annual repairing and overhaul at the K'ong Fook Cheong shipyard, and resumed her old run to Macao to-day.

The Fook On, Captain R. Campbell, is still repairing her engines at Sam Shui Po.

GAMBLING SCHOOL.

A DOZEN CHINESE CHARGED.

A raid conducted on a brothel at No. 528, Queen's Road West, resulted in a charge being brought against one woman and eleven men, at the Central Magistracy this morning, of participation in a gambling school.

In regard to two of the male defendants who were arrested at the Police Station where they came to claim their coats after the raid, Mr. M. K. Lo, who appeared for all the defendants, submitted they were not participating in the game but were in another room when the raid was carried out. He questioned the wisdom of charging these two men without evidence in support; and said that in the event of the case against them falling through, as he anticipated it would, the police might lay themselves open to action on "certain lines" which he might take.

Mr. J. R. Wood said that he would take the evidence first, before giving his decision in the case of the two men referred to.

The defendants were remanded on bail of \$20 each, except in the case of the woman, who, being the licensee of the house, was held on bail of \$500.

TO MARINERS.

A Customs notification states that a rocky patch, has been located in latitude 30 degrees 48' foot 30 inches N., longitude 122 degrees 10' foot 20 inches E. (Marine Department Chart No. 1). From the centre of the patch, Gutzlaff Lighthouse bears N. 2 degrees E., magnetic, distant 2 cables. Soundings on the patch ranged from 6 feet to 31 feet reduced to low water of extraordinary spring tides.

WEST RIVER NEWS.

MILITARY OPERATIONS CONTINUE.

A Wuchow correspondent, writing under date of the 20th. inst., says:—

It was reported here yesterday that General Shen Hung-ying's army has for the last week had a series of heavy attacks delivered on it by the forces of Generals Cheng Yan-pai and Wong Shih-hung. This campaign was inaugurated in order to occupy Kweilin from the Foo River.

General Shen Hung-ying's forces had to give way at first, but after he had been reinforced by some of Tang Chi-yao's Yunnanese, he counter-attacked and regained the lost territory, taking several hundred prisoners and also some ammunition and other military equipment.

The spell of very low water which we experienced here for a while is now over, at least for the time being, as the water has risen considerably. There is now about 9 ft. 3 in. at the Second Bar (2 ft. 2 in. above zero at Wuchow). The tide gauge at Do Sing shows 2 ft. 0 in. above zero, while the one at Sam Shui shows 1 ft. below zero, which means 10 ft. 1 in. on the bar at the entrance to the harbour.

The military transports of troops, previously mentioned as being moved continually from General Li Chai-cham's headquarters at Shih Hing towards this port, have now ceased, at least temporarily, and it is presumed that Gen. Li now needs the remainder for the garrisoning of Shih Hing. It is said that the movements of troops from Pakai and Kong Moon towards Canton have also stopped for the time being.

Writing under the same date, a Sam Shui correspondent states:—Heavy gun fire was heard in the Shek Ki district last Wednesday morning. This is the locality situated south of a line drawn between Wang Mun and Sallam.

The military authorities at Shek Ki are using their searchlights every night extensively, which sometimes are blinding the navigators on the river boats.

The Government launch which sunk off Kuchuk on the 13th was raised to-day by means of small junks and the usual cross-beam, purchase and capstan method, and then towed away suspended from the cross-beams in order to be docked, or beached elsewhere.

SHOOTING COMPETITION.

STONECUTTERS FUNCTION.

Members of the Royal Marines' Old Comrades Association spent an enjoyable afternoon at Stonecutters' yesterday, when they shot, under Bisley conditions, for a cup presented by their local president, Lt. Colonel Cantrell, R.M.

Mr. Grimmett was first, with a score of 68, and he was presented with the cup by Capt. Sturgess, R.M., at the conclusion of the match, when the competitors were entertained to tea. Speeches were made setting out the many advantages of the Association to ex-Marines out here, and the hope was expressed that more men would join.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

It is quite time the idea were broken down that China is oversteering to be bound by arrangements made under conditions quite different from those existing at the present time, especially when those arrangements are highly obnoxious to the Chinese themselves and are such as up to the present, with several years' record behind them, have not done a single thing to benefit the country. Amongst such arrangements, declares the *Far Eastern Times*, is the custom anachronism known as the Consortium. In course of time the Consortium must disintegrate from the effects of the wind and weather of international politics and finance, but China cannot afford to wait indefinitely for that highly desirable consummation. An attempt should be made to break it down at once, by enlisting the sympathy and co-operation of financial and industrial interests that are independent of it.

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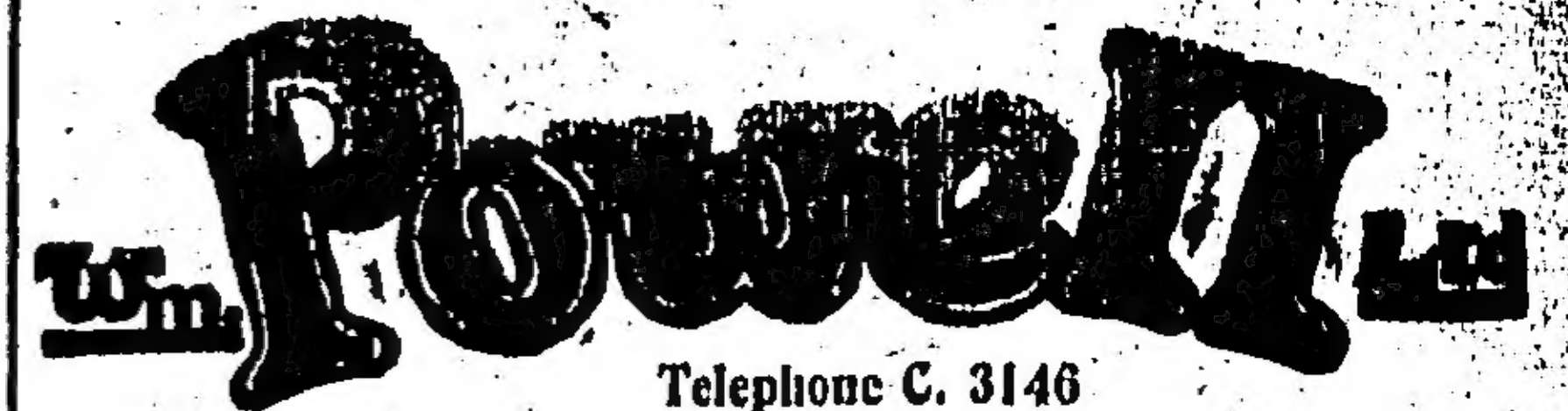
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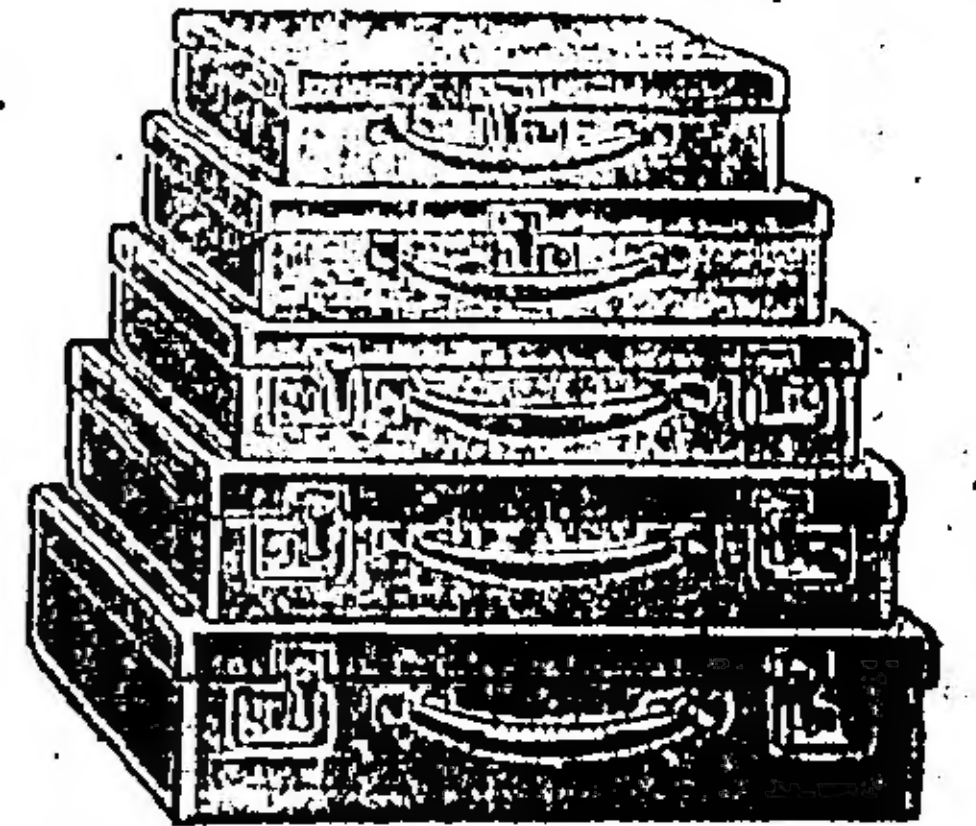
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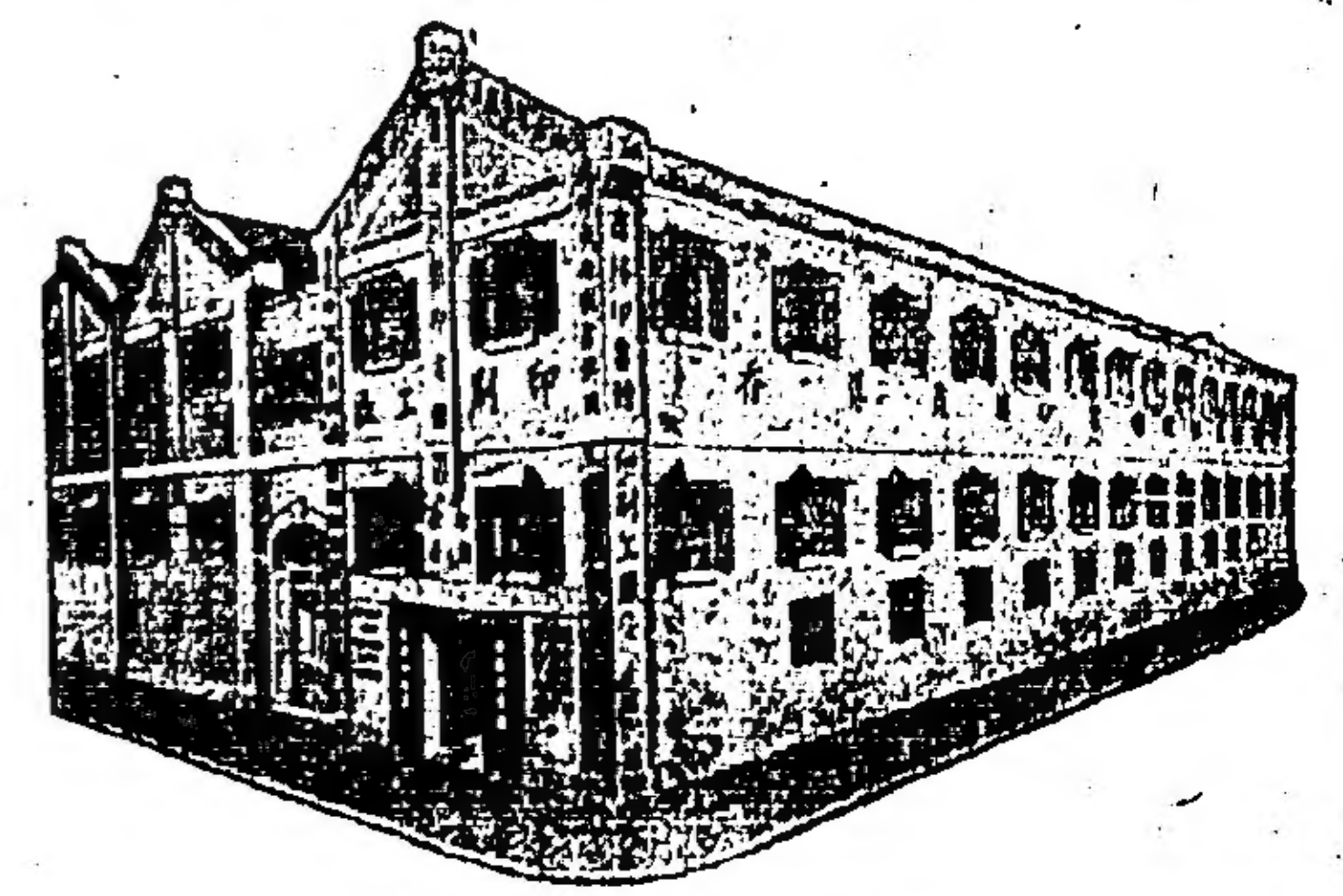
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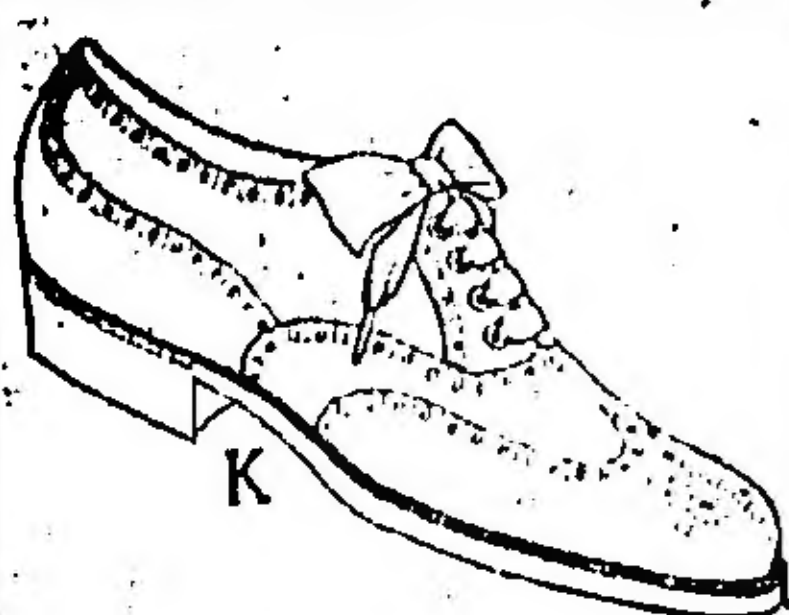
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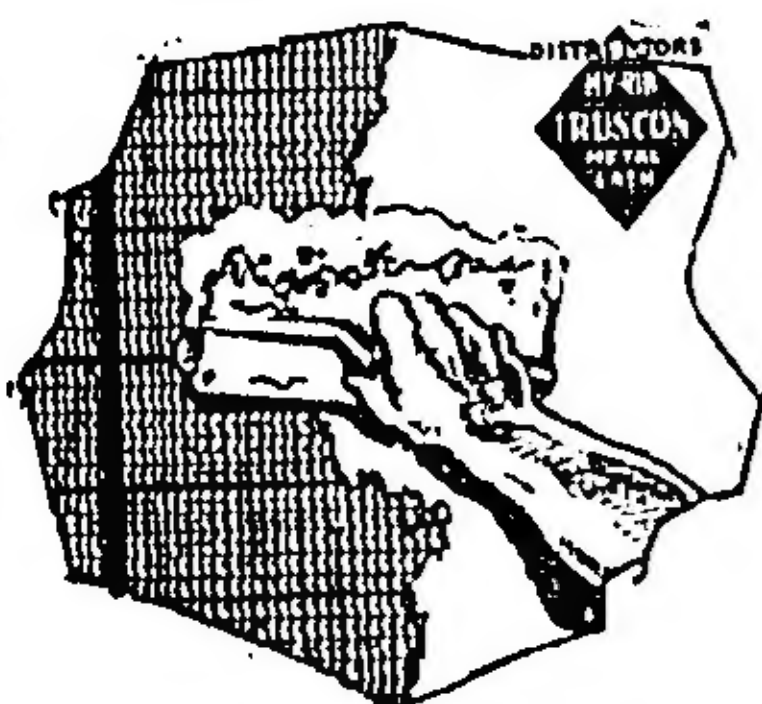
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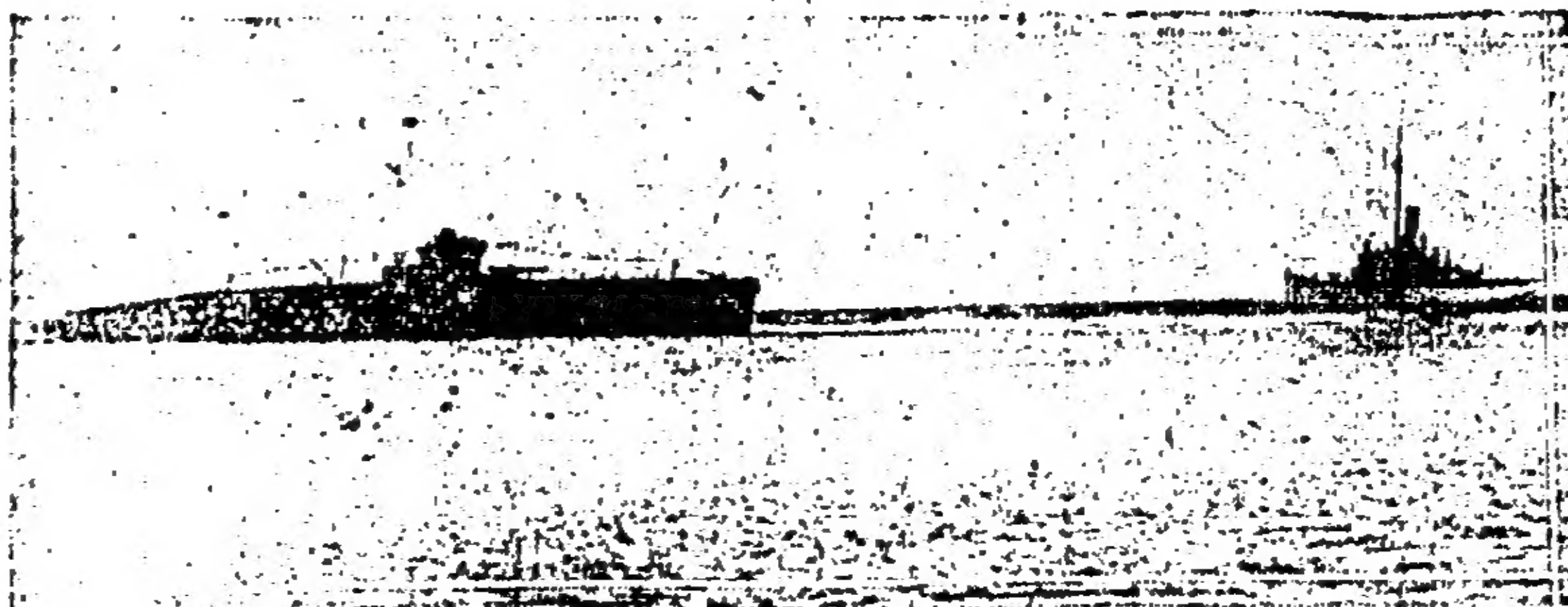
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CAMERA NEWS



STRANDED SUBMARINE.—In the upper photo is shown the U.S. Submarine S-19 in the grip of the Cape Cod sands near Orleans, where she went aground. In the background is one of the two naval tugs which came to her aid. In the photo below is shown Captain Walker of the Coast Guard and his picked crew making one of their many attempts to reach the submarine and take off her crew of 40.



NURMI'S WIN.—Paavo Nurmi, the great Finn runner, defeated Jole Ray, the American star, and Willie Ritola, the Finnish flash, making two new world's records in so doing. The races were held in Madison Square Garden, New York, before a record crowd. Photo shows Ritola (right) congratulating Nurmi. Inset:—Jole Ray.



A HARD TASK.—The firemen of St. Hyacinthe, Canada, had a terrible task to stop the fire pictured above. Five of them were injured, and many people were driven from their homes. Temperature was below zero, and the water froze almost as soon as it left the nozzles of the hose.



NEW CHANCELLOR.—Dr. Hans Luther, finance minister in the old Marx Cabinet is the new chancellor.



WOMEN WORKERS.—Women who did the work of bricklayers, hodcarriers, ditch diggers and such labourers in Budapest during the war are still holding their jobs due to economic conditions and loss of man-power in Hungary, as this recent picture shows.



U. S. "OBSERVER."—Colonel James A. Logan, U. S. observer for the Reparation Commission, who attended the finance ministers' conference in Paris.



"SOME" JUMP.—We wonder if this ski-jumper up in the air at Murren, Switzerland, is going to land right-side up.



LADY BOOKIE.—Mrs. H. Vernet, the only licensed bookmaker in England, who has arrived in America for a vacation. Formerly a dressmaker, she sought a faster way of making money, and found it as a betting commissioner.

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MUSEUM EXPEDITION.

Geology of Gobi Basin.

The geological results of the Asiatic Expeditions of the American Museum of Natural History include a detailed study of the basin-structures of Mongolia, a first instalment of which is presented by C. P. Borkey and F. K. Morris in the Bull. Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., vol. II, 1924, pp. 103-127.

Between the Arctic and the Pacific divides lies the Gobi Basin, a down-warped plateau bounded by rims that stand some 3000 feet above its average level. Within it are many minor basins and the authors distinguish by the term *talus* (Mongol for "open stope") each of these in turn contains still smaller basins which are the *gobis* proper of the Mongols. The basement rocks make up a deformed complex that probably corresponds on the whole to the Archaean of other lands, and in particular to the Tai Shan complex of China.

Above these there are probably representatives of the Middle and Upper pre-Cambrian and all are cut by an immense batholith. Next come folded remnants of Carboniferous and Permian marine sediments, and a more extensive series of continental clastics that seem to be of Lower Jurassic age. All these older formations were strongly folded and worn down to a mature peneplain before the nearly horizontal basin sediments were deposited. These belong to the Cretaceous and Tertiary, and represent a continuation of continental conditions that have persisted right down to the present day.

Two types of Gobi basins are recognized: one characterized by a faulted margin on the south, where the basins abut against the fault-block ranges of the Eastern Altai; and the other by simple downwarping in the less disturbed areas. The faulted basins contain lavas and a much greater thickness of sediments than the warped basins; but in both types sedimentation was intermittent, and in any one basin long intervals are unrepresented by deposits. The Miocene, for example, is almost completely absent from vast areas of Asia.

On the whole, then, the Angara-Gobi continent seems to have been stable for long periods, and to have suffered regional denudation ever since the Jurassic folding. Complementary sedimentation within its own borders is registered only where gentle warping and marginal faulting provided temporary collecting basins.

OPIUM IN ASIA.

Soldier's Emergency Ration.

Mr. A. T. Wilson, writing to the Times recently, says:—

It is, perhaps, not generally known that no Eastern country has taken in recent years such energetic, or on the whole, such successful measures as have been taken in Persia, without any promptings from outside sources, to restrict consumption and to bring the production and manufacture of opium under control. But the Persian Government cannot reduce the cultivation of the poppy as yet without immense loss to the Exchequer, and without risking its own stability.

There is no drug problem in Persia (or India) such as exists in the United States. Opium was familiar to the Sumerians and Babylonians 40 or 50 centuries before America was discovered; it was known to Theophrastus and to Dioscorides; throughout the ages in Persia its use has been widespread. Its abuse rare. As in India, it is the soldier's emergency ration, the mulatto's tonic, the rice-grower's sobriety, and the starveling's solace; it is daily used to ease the pain of thousands of sick and injured men who cannot hope to obtain medical assistance.

Physically and mentally the Persian need not be afraid to challenge comparison with the polyglot communities of the New World, for whose sake it is apparently desired to circumscribe the liberties of Eastern races who can use without abusing stimulants. The existence in Western countries of a few weak-minded drug addicts is a poor excuse for undermining by harassing legislation (the cost of enforcing which is bound to be very heavy) the sturdy individualism that is one of the most enduring assets of the Persian race.

PRE-HUMAN AFRICA.

Connection With South America.

The main facts or probabilities impressed on a natural history in surveying the history of the mammalian fauna of Africa are four in number (says Sir Harry Johnston in the Nineteenth Century):—

1. The early separation of Morocco and Algeria from Western Nigeria, by an arm of the sea or an immense expanse of shallow water.

2. That Egypt has been the main door of entry to the African continent for its mammalian fauna.

3. That there remains a curious gap in distribution (perhaps only of recent origin) between East and South Africa. This occurs in Northern Zambezia-Nyasaland-Mozambique.

In this intervening gap between the basin of the Rufiji River on the north and the whole course of the Zambezi River on the south, many striking genera and species of mammals are missing which are characteristic of East and of South Africa. There are no giraffes, no true gazelles or oryx antelopes, no ostriches, no secretary birds, no otocyon foxes, no black-jacks; and many other beasts and birds characteristic of both South and East Africa are missing—an altogether unaccountable fact.

4. That during the Secondaries and up to the middle of the Miocene Tertiaries there must have subsisted a broad land belt connecting West Africa with Brazil and Guiana. This land belt—remains of which are evident in the sea-bottom—is necessary to explain the remarkable similarity between the ancient fauna of Africa and Madagascar and that of Eastern South America.

VIRTUES OF CASTE.

Foundation of Indian Life.

No scheme of Indian progress is worth consideration (says a writer in Blackwood) that ignores the very foundation of Indian life—namely the caste system.

Although utterly uncomprehended in England, and there regarded as a medieval aristocratic survival, the caste system in reality is a democratic institution in what Kipling has called in "Kim" the only democratic country in the world. In India upon this caste system depend the dignity of labour, personal and communal hygiene, public and private decency, and economic efficiency.

To those Socialists in the West who suspect it of being a mere capitalist shackle on the workers it may be explained that the fold labourer or common soldier is frequently of higher caste than the prince who employs him; and that if there be any aristocratic idea present, it concerns an aristocracy of spiritual and not of Belgian values. There has been much talk between conflicting British political parties as to whether India is "ripe" or "unripe" for Western forms of Government.

Will such simple provincial provincials never learn that India is "over-ripe" for the rather naive and crude idealism of the West, and only desires and needs Western advice and guidance on severely concrete matters where peculiar circumstances and abnormal conditions hamper her native genius?

ZOO ACQUISITION.

Spider that Traps Small Birds.

A Gambian spider, which builds a 40 ft. web, strong enough to catch small birds, is the latest addition to the London Zoo insect house.

Having no popular name, it has been dubbed a silk spider by the officials.

This appellation is certainly appropriate, for, apart from the enormous size of its web, the silk, which is yellow in colour, is much stronger than that of the domestic silkworm (says a Nature writer).

The silk of this African spider has been tried commercially, but has been a failure because, I believe, of the difficulty of procuring the spider in sufficient numbers to make the venture profitable.

Spiders, unlike silkworms, are cannibalistic, and a second specimen, which accompanied the newcomer at the Zoo, arrived blowflies.

NURSING DRAGON-FLY NYMPHS.

Professor As Foster-Parent.

Prof. F. Balfour Brown, in the fourth of his lectures to juveniles on "The Habits of Insects," at the Royal Institution last month, appeared in the role of a phenomenally patient foster-parent of a family of dragon-fly nymphs.

Some seventeen years ago, he said, when he lived on the Norfolk Broads and little was known about the habits of dragon-flies, he adopted a family of 175 in the nymph stage, housing each one in a separate tumbler. On an average they were no larger than one twenty-fifth of an inch, but "Every day, for a fortnight," he declared, "I measured each one of these nymphs. I started early in the morning and continued till late at night." (Loud juvenile clapping.)

But that was not all. He had to feed as well as measure them, or there would be nothing left to measure. So he put dung, willow roots, etc., into the water of each glass, and out came swarms of silpiper animalcules, on which the little creatures fed during their early stages. He noticed that, while not demanding living food, they insisted on at least moving food, and would only touch inanimate substance if it was dangled to and fro before them.

Prof. Brown's next achievement was to measure the length of the antennae of each one of his foster-family in relation to the length of each segment of them at different stages, and strike averages by means of a carefully-kept chart. Thus he found that the centre of growth was always at the base.

ENDURANCE TEST.

The superlative trial of endurance, however, came when suddenly he had to shift to Ireland, taking in Scotland on the way. Exactly ninety-eight of these nymphs he took with him in tubes and tumblers, the remainder of the tumblers being packed by the removal man. "I think," he remarked, "that those removal men were suspicious that I kept a public-house without a licence." On arrival in Scotland all the little nymphs had to be unpacked and attended to before the journey was resumed. There were only two casualties, where he had filled the tubes too full of water and left no room for air.

Some of the nymphs, which he put into incubators through the winter, went on eating and maturing, and hatched out into winged dragon-flies in ten months, at least a year before they otherwise would have done. This might account for the swarms which occurred periodically, particularly in places like Heligoland, on the assumption that where the Northern countries experienced unusually mild winter the young nymphs hatched out before their time, so that one got two seasons' progeny taking wing together.

Dragon-flies, the lecturer pointed out, were brightly coloured and beautiful because they were sun-lovers, whereas night insects tended to be dull, and even, according to our standards, ugly. Perhaps the latter were nocturnal because they knew their appearance was none too attractive. It reminded him of a farmer who, going into the farmyard one night, saw one of his labourers going off with a lantern. "Where be goin', Gargo?" he asked him. And Gargo said: "I be goin' courtin' master." "Why, when I went courtin' I didn't take a lantern," remarked the farmer. "No," said Gargo, "and took what ye've got!"

It would be difficult to say which the juniors enjoyed most, that little anecdote or the lecturer's fascinating description of the way in which these little nymphs split their skins and sailed out on their virginal flights as free, glorious spirits of the air.

without five of its eight legs. A third had died, apparently while changing its skin.

A portion of web, enclosed in the box, had the remains of several grasshoppers smashed, and the wing cases alone were fully 3 in. long.

In the African forests small birds have been found similarly trapped, while the sturdy web has been known to remove the hats of travellers passing beneath.

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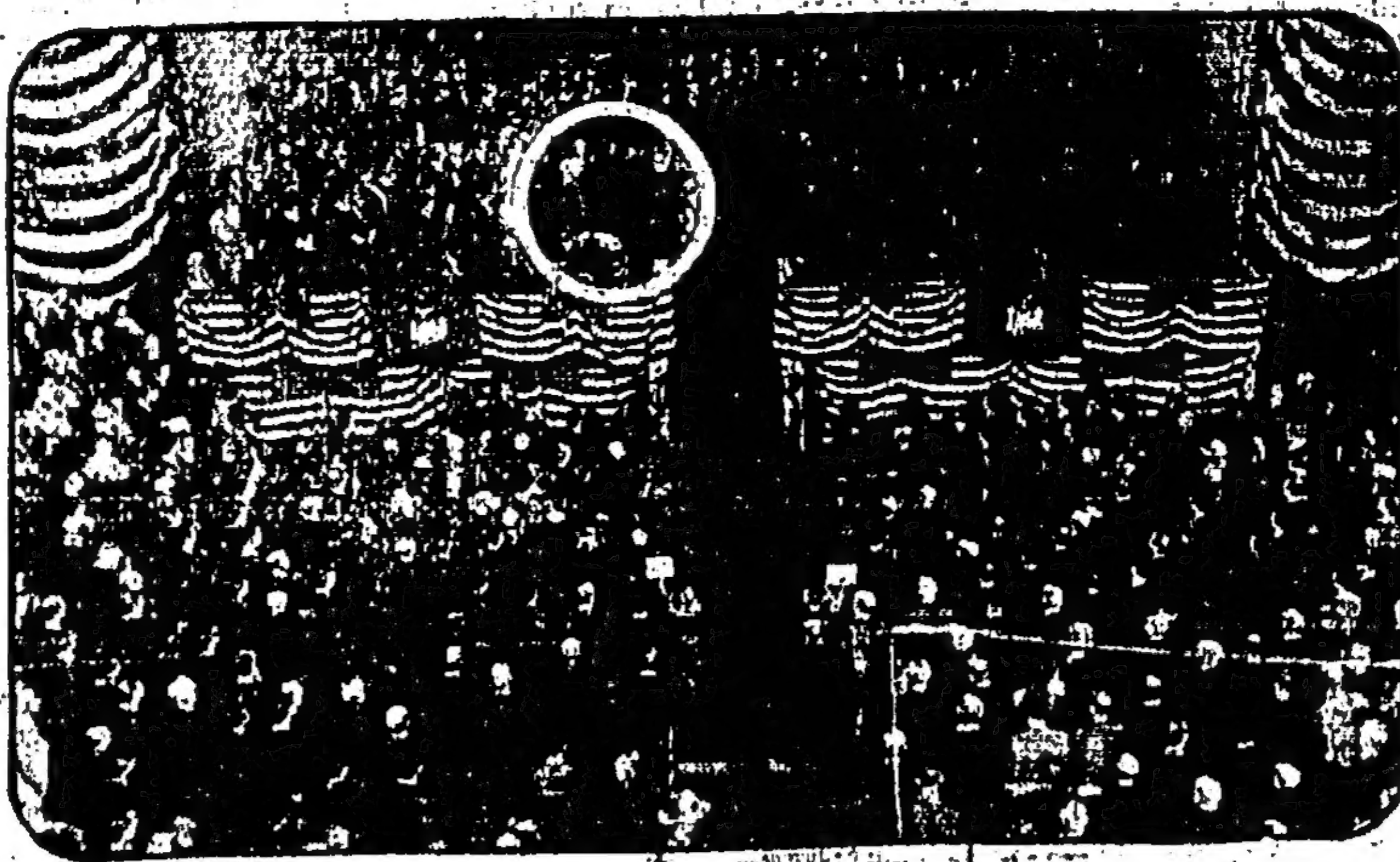
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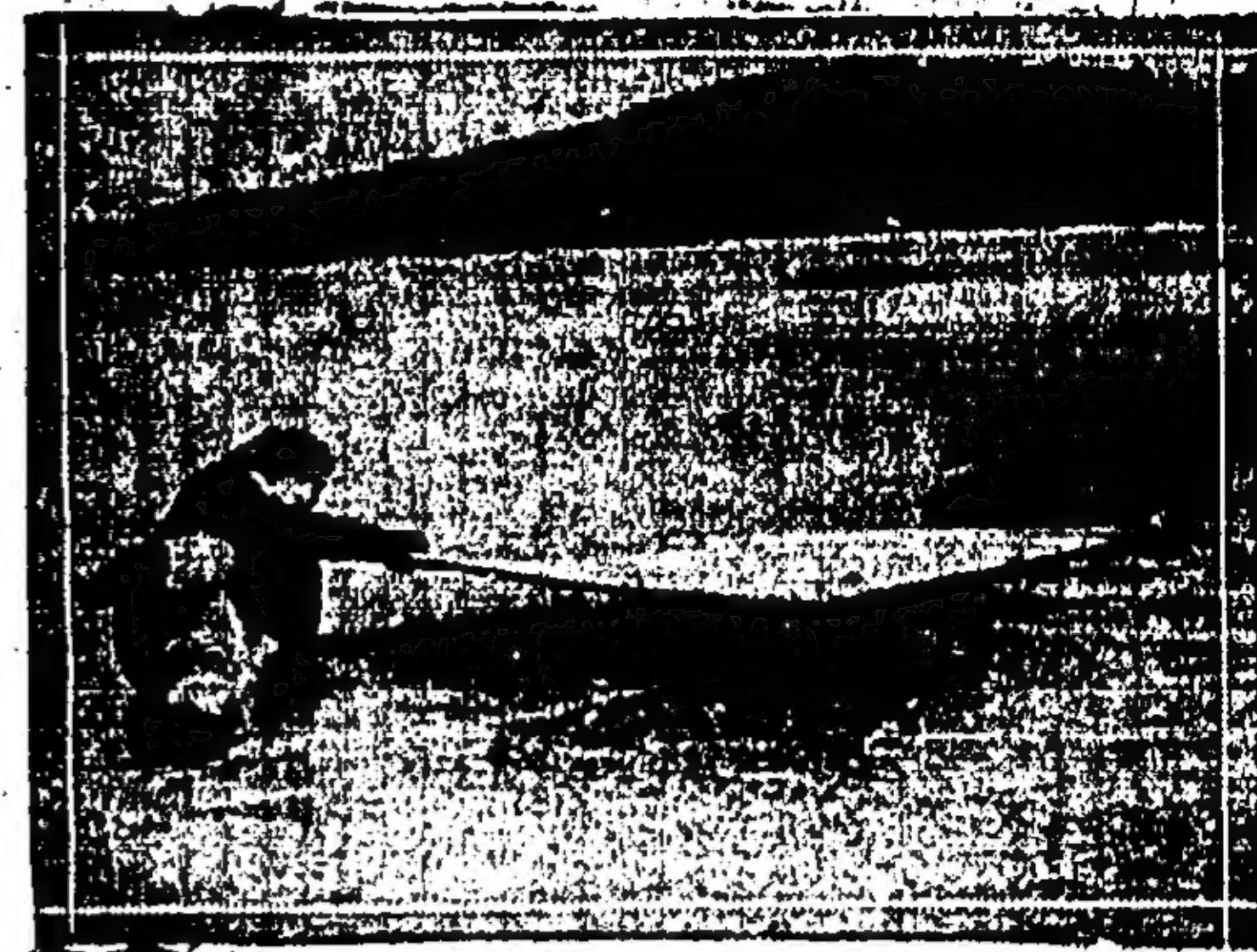
Handcuffed, Carl Tresca, editor of the New York Italian paper *Il Mulino*, starts for Atlanta Federal Prison to serve a year for running a birth control advertisement.



Major Thornton Mill, pastor of the New England Congregational Church, Chicago, is defying efforts of his church council to remove him from his pulpit. He incurred the council's displeasure by his alleged "radicalism."



For the first time in more than a hundred years the same man took oath of office for the third time as Governor of New York. And to make the occasion still more memorable, a woman administered the oath of office in her capacity as Secretary of State. The photo shows the inauguration of Governor Alfred E. Smith with Mrs. Florence E. S. Knapp, administering the oath. Both are shown in the circle.



Dorothy Waters, of Jersey City, N. J., tried a sharp turn with her skis at Lake Hopatcong, N. J., and learned that "it can't be did."



Miss Marion Ivoy Harris of Atlanta, Ga., who is responsible for the latest fad among the Georgia girls—the wearing of a monocle. Quite fetching—what?



In a cane which formerly belonged to Fred Allend, New York "gangster," Sheriff Earle Brown of Minneapolis found a rifle which could be discharged by a hidden spring. Sheriff Brown recalled that when Allend was being taken to New York he asked to use the cane, but the Sheriff refused.



Frank Fritch, who vies with Rogers Hornsby as the outstanding star of the National League, doesn't believe in spending the winter in idleness. Here we have Fritch as manager of the toy department in a big New York store. It will be noted that he is demonstrating a baseball toy of which he is the inventor. Manager John McGraw of the New York Giants rates Fritch as the greatest "ball" player that he has ever handled.



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One of the damaged piers of St. Paul's Cathedral. [Times copyright photograph.]



What a sweet face this huge cat has when he gets his dander up! A striking photo of the fighting face of a lion when he is in a royal rage.

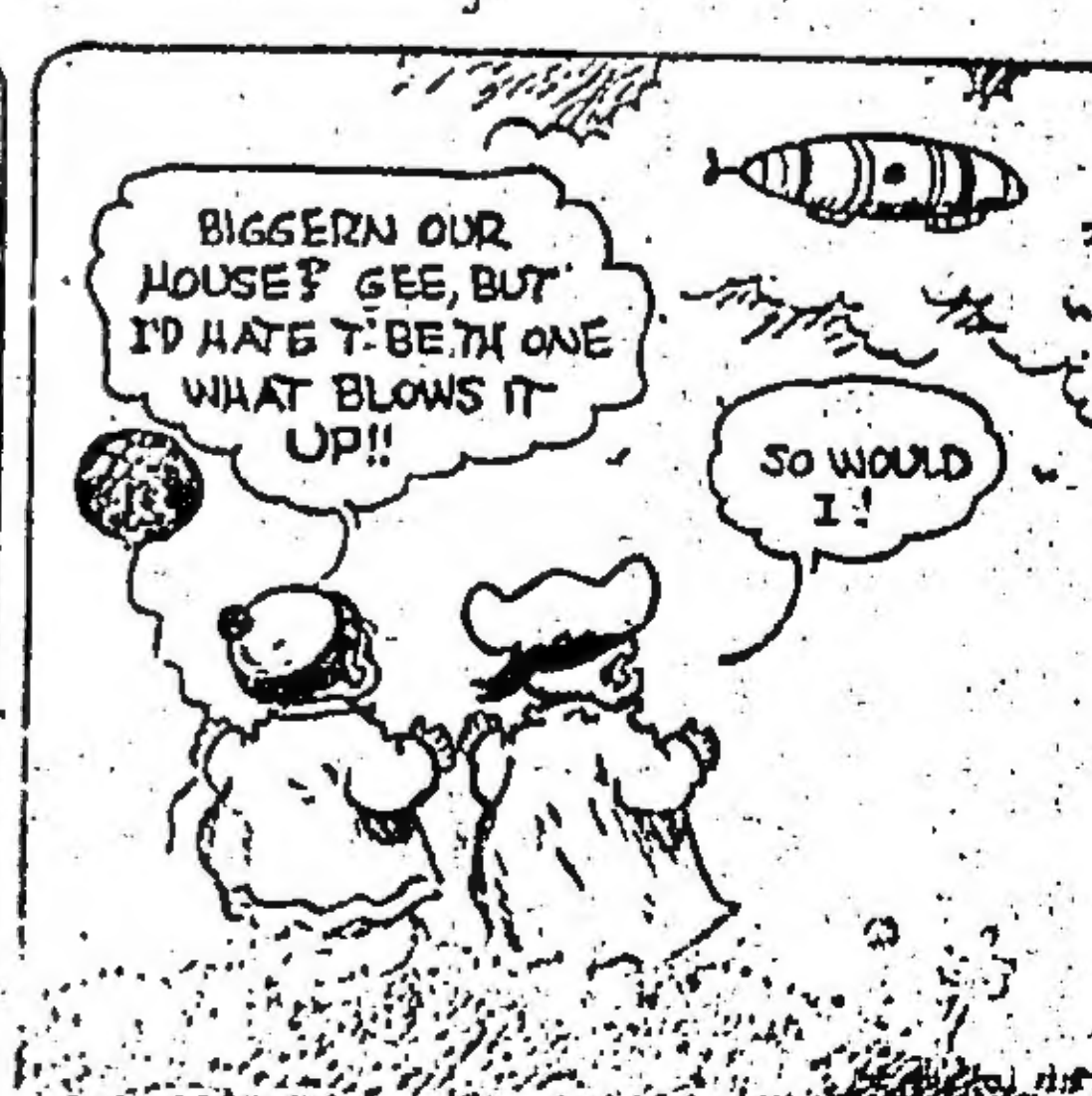
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BALLOONS IN INSECT WAR.

New Phase of Old Conflict.

It is proposed in the spring of
next year to release thousands of
toy balloons from fifteen weather
stations, extending from northern
Connecticut nearly to the Cana-
dian border in an endeavour to
discover the secret of the winds
responsible for the westward spread
of the gipsy moth, says the *Fruit
Grower*.

In spite of the fact that the gipsy
moth is a winged insect, it does
not spread from the territory to
another through its power of flight.
It is when they are in the cater-
pillar stage that movement occurs.
The caterpillars have long hairs
growing out of their bodies. These
hairs, it is thought together
with the silk which the larvae
spin, help to buoy them up in the
wind, which sometimes carries
them from half a mile to five
miles from their starting place.
To learn about the winds which
caused this casual spread of the
caterpillar aeronautes, 7,000
hydrogen filled toy balloons were
sent up some months ago. Each
balloon bore a numbered tag re-
questing the flier to return it
with a record of the time and
place where found. Over 400
tags were returned by the end of

the season. They were found
practically throughout southern
New England, a number being
picked up on both the eastern
and southern coasts. One balloon
was found off Yarmouth Cape,
Nova Scotia, a drift of about 400
miles in 18 hours. Seven covered
distances of 110 to 145 miles.
One drifted 65 miles at the rate
of 100 miles. Another remained
in the air six and a quarter hours,
and then dropped at the point of
release evidently carried back by
a counter-current.

One season's work was thought
insufficient to justify definite
conclusions with such variable
factors as the winds, and the
investigations are to be continued
on a more extensive scale.

SCHOOLS IN CHINA.

The Missionary Herald for
January publishes a diagram
showing the growth of missionary
schools in China. The rate of
increase in the numbers of
pupils has been especially rapid
in the last ten years. In the
first 34 years the advance
amounted to 17,000 (from 5,000 to
22,000) while in the ten years
1910-1920 the increase has been
no less than 258,000. The very
small increase from 1900 to 1910
was due to the dislocation caused
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ed unless notice to the contrary
be given before 17th inst.

No claims will be admitted
after the Goods have left the
Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 28th
inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the under-
signed on or before the 4th prox
or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
ed Goods are to be left in the
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examined on the 23rd inst. at 10
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by Superintendent of Imports &
Exports, Hongkong, before Bills
of Lading will be countersigned.

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ed cargo is to be left in the
godowns, where it will be exami-
ned at 10 a.m. on 23rd. Feb.,
1925 by the Company's Surveyors
Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke.

All claims must be presented
within thirty days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which then
cannot be recognized. No claims
will be recognized after the goods
have left the godowns, and cargo
undelivered on and after 24th.
Feb. 1925, will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance whatever
will be effected.

Consignees are requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for
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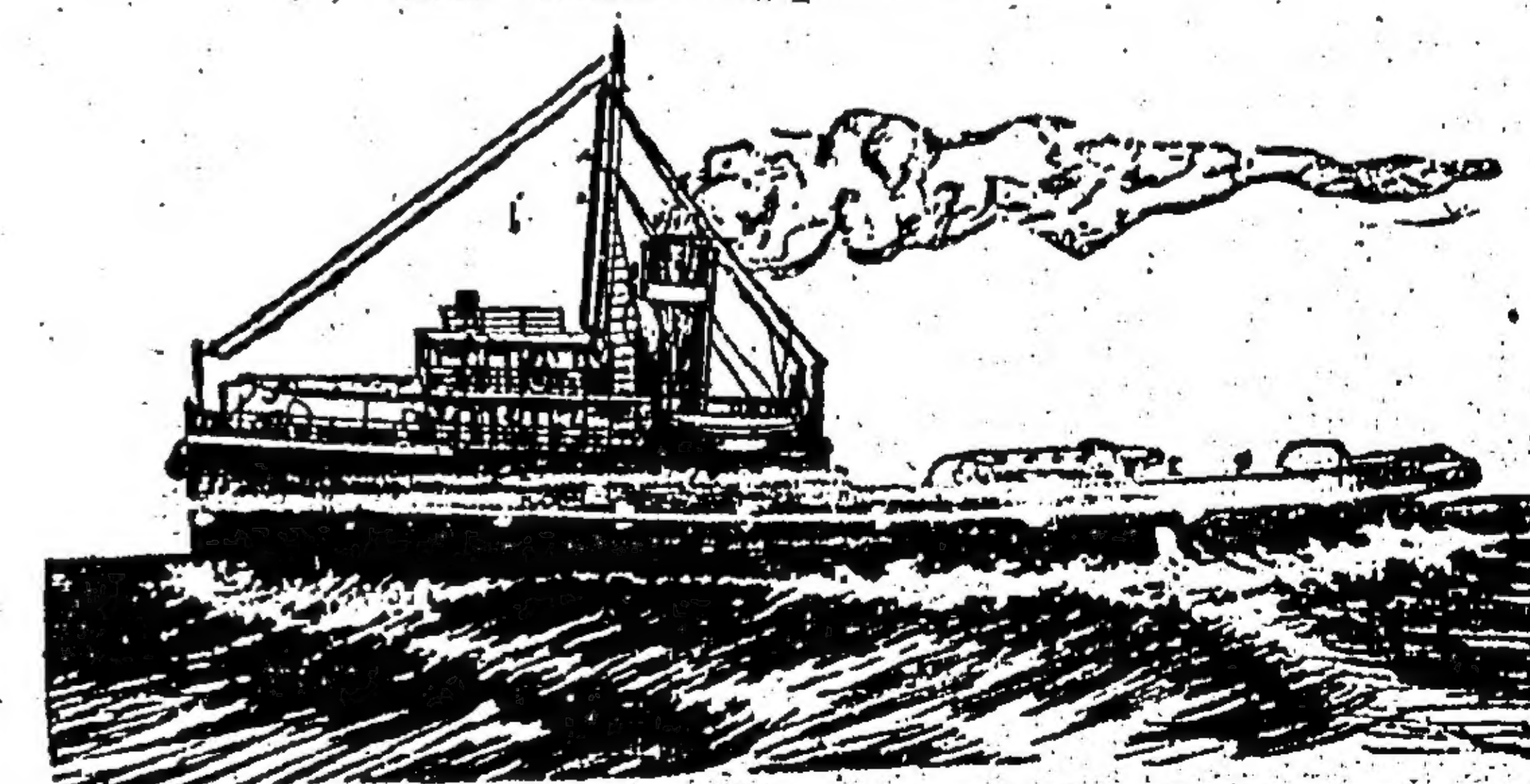
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MIRZAPORE	6,813	26th Mar.	S'pore, P'ang, O'bo & B'bay
SICILIA	10,902	1st Apr.	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	9,098	4th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KARWALA	11,089	18th Apr.	Marseilles & London
MACEDONIA	6,684	2nd May	S'pore, P'ang, O'bo & B'bay
SARDINIA	6,854	26th May	Marseilles & London
NAGOGA	6,696	28th May	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
SOUDAN	10,911	30th May	Marseilles & London
MOREA	9,118	13th June	M'les, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	6,813	23rd June	S'pore, P'ang, O'bo & B'bay
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TALMA	10,000	28th Mar.	Kobe
MACEDONIA	10,089	3rd April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TILAWA	10,066	4th April	Kobe
ST. ALBAN	4,500	4th April	Moji & Kobe
TALABABA	8,500	14th April	Kobe
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SHANGHAI via S'hai Cheong...	Shang	Fri. 27th Feb. at 7 a.m.
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SHANGHAI via Swatow...	Taksang	Sun. 1st Mar. at 7 a.m.
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All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 23rd Feb. 1925, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashe.

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Feb. 23d. 11h. 20m.—Pressure
has increased considerably from
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slightly from the Loochoos to
Formosa. It is nearly stationary
in S.W. districts.

The anticyclone has strengthened
considerably. It is now
central over N.E. China or S.E.
Mongolia.

Fresh to strong monsoon may
be expected along the S.E. coast
of China and over the N. China
Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day,
0.00 inch. Total since January
1st, 4.47 inches, against an
average of 2.77 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel
2 South coast of N.E. winds,
China between fresh;
H.K. & Lamooka overcast,
3 H'kong to Gap some
Rock. drizzle or
4 South coast of mist.
China between
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Mrs. A. Wilson, Mr. F. S. Odum,
Mr. and Mrs. W. Evelyn, Mr. and
Mrs. E. Davidson, Mr. H. Pearson,
Mr. A. S. Murch, Mr. W. B. Mac-
kay, Mr. H. Goffe, Mr. L. H. T.
Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. W. Greig and
Infant, Mr. J. S. Lamont, Mr. and
Mrs. Ah Yow-leong, Master Yow
leong, Mr. and Mrs. H. Paterson
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Mr. C. L. R. Barrett, Mr. W. Rus-
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T. Gillman and Infant, Mrs. G. H.
Campbell, Mrs. R. M. Henderson,
Master R. Henderson, Miss M.
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W. E. L. Shenton and Infant, Mrs.
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J. Smith, Mr. F. H. Hill, Mr. W.
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Hancock, Miss M. Kuntz, Mrs.
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Oeder, Master Davidson, Miss
Bevan, Rev. P. M. Scott, Mrs.
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